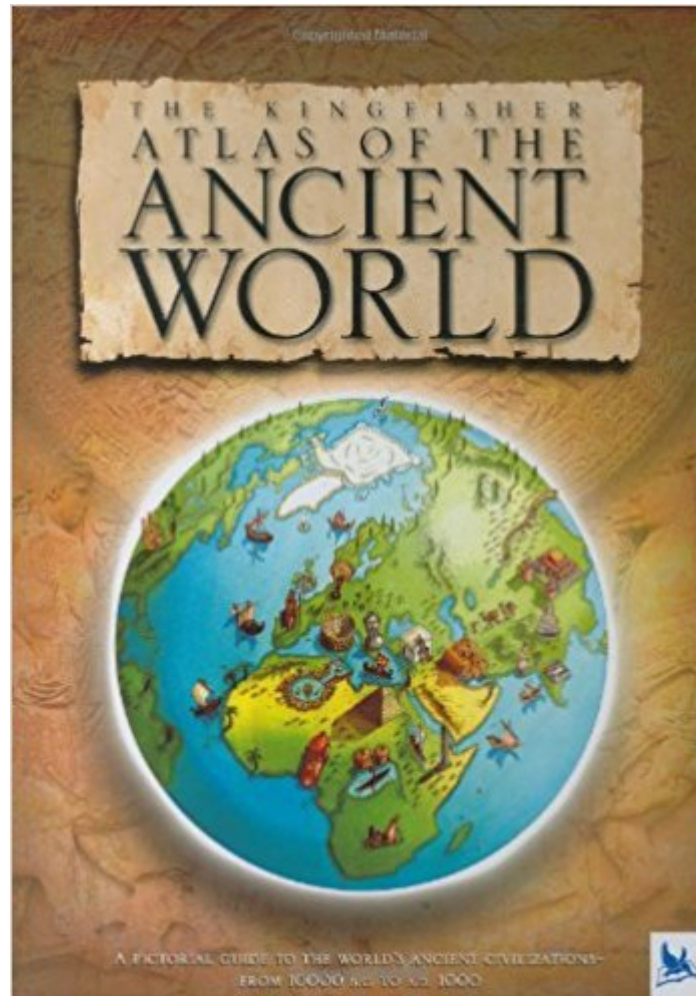


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Customer Reviews

One day while teaching at a local school, I noticed this book and decided to give it a gander. To my surprise this "authority" on the ancient world, contains virtually nothing on the Hebrew people or the influence that the early Christians had on the Roman empire. The only two bits of info on Christianity was a conquering "Christian" nation on the continent of Africa and Constantine's removal of Christian persecution in 313. As far as Israel is concerned, only one out of the several mesopotamian maps even had Israel listed on it; the only other two bits of info on the Jews was their enslavement under Nebuchadnezzar II of Babylon, and their emergence as a "strong nation" in

1020 B.C. I have a degree in history and as far as I could tell the history of the other cultures featured in this book was fairly accurate, but to almost completely discard Israel's role in the ancient world is a bit unusual! Sure, ancient Israel may not have grown to the size of Rome or Persia but someone with even a cursory knowledge of history knows that Israel played an important role in sculpting Western Civilization!

Yes, it might be missing some details and civilizations, but overall it is great! We've used it homeschool in tandem with Classical Conversations and Story of the World. Really helped me, my 1st and 3rd grader have a clue what we were learning. We kept renewing it from the library. I was just about to buy it, but decided to buy Kingfishers generic "history of the world" atlas which also included ancient civilizations and check out that first before we go back and buy a copy of this. Regardless, this is still up there on my lists of books worth having in your family library. I have never seen a book laid out like this (except in map books for Christianity, covering only the things essential to that). This was very profound for me, opening up the world to something so much more, so easy to flip-back and forth to see everything so simply in one place (rather than huge wordy textbooks). I love geography and was an anthropology major, so maybe that is why!

Nice little reference and learning tool. Should build on his interest in history. Nice photos and illustrations. The letters are small for my older eyes, but my 8 year should have no problem.

I got this book for my daughter. It's "pretty" with nice big maps, colored pictures, etc. I quickly read through it and everything seemed in order and factually correct. It's not in-depth, but it does hit all the high points on all the major ancient civilizations. A nice little reference, or introduction to ancient history for kids.

We got this book to use for homeschooling our kids, but when it came in the mail, my husband and I found we really enjoyed it too! The maps are fabulous!

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