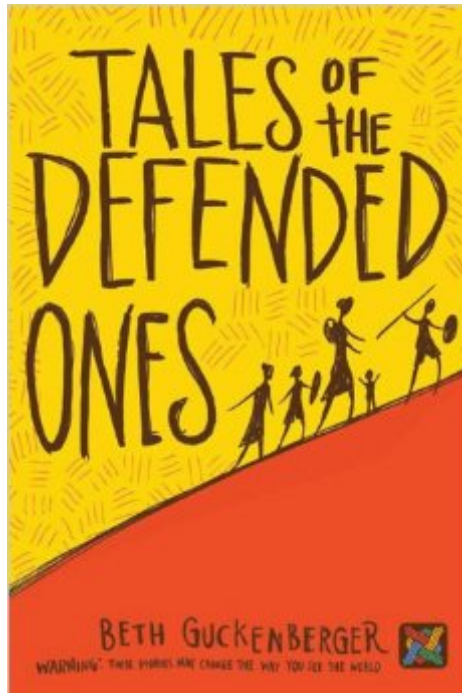




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# Tales Of The Defended Ones (Storyweaver)



## Synopsis

Ben and Joseph lose their mothers, but find a family looking just for them. Antonio is rescued from what seems like a hopeless situation. Caitlyn dares to trust that truth will set her free. Jorani is delivered from slavery into the arms of grace. Follow these real-life stories as they take you on a journey to foreign places and extreme struggles. Travel through their challenges and see the hand of the great Storyweaver - our Defender God shielding and defending the defenseless in the amazing ways only he can. These are the tales of the ones left wounded and weak-ones made whole and strong . . .

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## Customer Reviews

Another great group of stories by Beth Guckenberger. This Storyweaver series is a quick read but the benefits/mindset change the reader experiences is huge. Enjoy!

So easy to read, yet the words and stories are very powerful. My 8 year old read it cover to cover in a couple of days. Fantastic reading for kids struggling with discontent or discouragement.

I love Beth's sweet story-telling style. And the stories presented are beautiful examples of God's redeeming love. This is a great read for tweens/teens, but I enjoyed it as an adult :)

Beth has written another great book. Filled with stories of children around the world who He has defended (from many situations). For anyone who knows or has read Beth's books, this is a must read.

I was not sure what to expect with this book when I got in the mail. I rarely do a ton of research on the books I receive ahead of time so I really had no idea what it was about. This is an amazing book that I could not put down. It is written beautifully and the chapters set up in an easy way to read, even with so much information. Each chapter is about a different child (or children) and their backstory up until the present. Each of them have had a difficult childhood and it breaks my heart to read about how babies and children are treated. This book flows nicely and is written in a way that you understand the children's point of view and see the world through their eyes. These are real children and she includes pictures of them which I loved. This is a great book!! Recommend to anyone who has a passion for missions, foster care, orphans, and people who aren't afraid to read the truth behind their lives. "I received this book for free from Litfuse Publicity in exchange for an honest review".

Tales of the Defended Ones is the second book in Beth Guckenberger's Storyweaver series. I loved the first book in the series - Tales of the Not Forgotten and couldn't wait to read this one. Beth has written this collection of stories for children 8 years old and up with each story pointing to God and how we can see Him in the stories, even the hard ones to read. The children's stories shared are heartbreaking, yet filled with hope. I love that Beth includes pictures, facts about the places where the children live, and insight into the culture where their stories begin. She also shares something to remember at the end of each story and a space to write down thoughts as well as snippets from her own journal. Beth shares these stories of children to let others know that our stories are all interwoven and God is our Storyweaver. She invites us to hear how God is working in people's lives and to get involved. Not only are both books in the Storyweaver series great reading for individuals, but are fantastic to read together as a family.

This novel was very eye-opening to me! I have not had a lot of experience with reading stories about orphans and I really liked the way Beth presented their story. She begins the novel calling God the Great Storyweaver and how He is writing everyone's story in a unique way whether we are going through tough trials or joyful times. Also, not only is He writing each person's story, but He is

weaving other people's lives into that unique story like with these orphans. Our story is affecting someone else's whether in be as a friend, sister, brother, wife, pastor, counselor and so forth. I thought with Beth opening the novel this way that my view of these orphans is that it's not just some tragic story on a page, but a person whose story is continuing today with a God who also continues to defend their cause. Throughout these different accounts, Beth writes in a way that is gets you easily enraptured in these little children's lives whether they are in Cambodia or in America. I also really appreciated that Beth told an orphan's story who lived in the United States. When Christians tend to speak about mission work I feel there is such a strong emphasis on international, but not much mention of the orphans here in America. They are just as important and Beth makes this known in that there American children who are in need of a God who will defend them as much as the orphans in Ethiopia. Once I finished reading Tales of the Defended Ones I started to realize just how important God stresses that we defend the cause of the orphans and widows. Something I do want to mention that I did not realize is that this book is geared more towards pre-teens and up. I definitely plan to hold onto this novel and have my son read it one day because it is my desire that he will have a heart for missions. Overall, a great novel that is really eye-opening and at times, heart wrenching.

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