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Come learn with the king and the little boy about the King without a shadow and you'll learn about God's awesome holiness.

The King Without a Shadow Details

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Laura says

4 1/2 stars. The kids and I liked this book. They have come to appreciate Dr Sproul as he has served me so much in his messages and books.

Dr Sproul has the uncanny ability to communicate rich, potent truths that serve both children and adults alike. We are 80 % finished reading The Holiness of God as a family and I remember at one point my older kids begging me to continue reading. This gift Dr Sproul has reminds me of C.S. Lewis' capacity to teach adults and children at the same time.

Shanna Gonzalez says

Reformed theologian R.C. Sproul is the chairman of Ligonier Ministries and the host of the Christian radio program Renewing Your Mind. He has written many theological works, and this is his first book for children. In this story, a young boy seeks an audience with his king to ask two important question: Where do shadows come from, and where do they go when they leave? This provokes the king to try to rid himself of his shadow, and in his search for knowledge he discovers a deeper wisdom than simply the way light and darkness relate: he learns that sin is a shadow on the human soul, that every soul is shadowed, but that there is one King who has no shadow because He is perfectly holy. The king joyfully tells the young boy this truth, sending him on a quest to find this King himself.

The story is beautifully illustrated with paintings of a king who bears a striking resemblance to Dr. Sproul himself, and the young boy with his friends closely resemble the grandchildren pictured on the flyleaf of the book. It is a rare pleasure to find such a deeply-developed Christian lesson, crafted carefully and lovingly for the third generation. Although it doesn't have the dramatic action of The Squire and the Scroll or The Prince's Poison Cup, it does provide a gently reflective meditation on God's character, with enough of a story to provide a satisfying reading experience.

It is probably best suited to an older elementary audience, and could make an especially enjoyable family devotional reading.

Elaina Griffith says

Definitely for mid-upper elementary comprehension level and above. An interesting parable illustrating God's holiness. Good book for discussion with children.

Prayson Daniel says

I will read it to my daughter over and over when she is old enough to understand.

Bambi Moore says

4.5 stars. Dr Sproul's children's books are treasures. This one taught on the attributes of God's holiness and purity, as well as explaining that God does not have a physical body and thus he does not cast a shadow. This is a longish book for little ones...it probably took a total of 30-40 minutes to read through it leisurely, and a few pages could have been broken up better with some more illustrations.

Yibbie says

It's a good story with many layers of meaning. Children will be interested in the story even before they can understand the true meaning of a King with no shadow. The illustrations are beautiful. I would recommend it to everyone.

Billy Schiel says

Another great tool for communicating the beauty and holiness of God to children.

Leah says

I enjoyed this book immensely! A wonderful children's story book teaching about Christ our King in a fun imaginative way. I am really like RC Sprouls children's books. My 2 1/2 year old son sat through this entire book and my 7 month old was pretty wiggly but sat through it too. I enjoyed the illustrations as well.
