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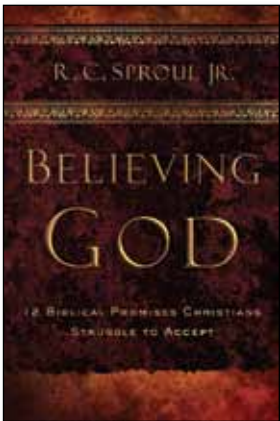
If you are not familiar with Charlotte Mason's methods or have found them unclear, this seminar will be refreshing and useful. Sonya Shafer, a lucid communicator, skillfully includes all the basics without overwhelming with too much information. Suggestions are plentiful, and Shafer's encouraging and friendly manner helps you relax and realize that you can flexibly integrate the method into your unique goals, needs, and life situations. If you want someone to help you make homeschooling as delightful as you have always dreamed or if you want to improve your already terrific homeschool experience, I encourage you to order this video and handbook from [www.simplycharlottesmason.com](http://www.simplycharlottesmason.com).

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## Who Ya' Gonna Believe?

A Review of *Believing God: Twelve Biblical Promises Christians Struggle to Accept* by R.C. Sproul, Jr.

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A popular song of the 1960s lamented, "Promises, promises, I'm all through with promises." Ironically this could be the cry of many Christians who struggle to believe that God answers prayer and keeps His promises. In *Believing God: Twelve Biblical Promises Christians Struggle to Accept* (Reformation Trust, 2009), R.C. Sproul, Jr. eloquently and thoroughly discusses the promises of God and why Christians do not believe them. It is amazing how many Christians claim to believe in the inerrancy of Scripture and yet rationalize promises of Christ that should lead every believer into victorious life.

Whether it is the promise that God loves us, that He will forgive us, that children are a heritage and blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them, that He will give us the desires of our heart, or that He will open the windows of heaven and shower us with blessings, Christians are hesitant to accept and trust that these promises are really true. Dr. Sproul tells us:

*Raw unbelief is not the only victory the Serpent can win when his forked tongue spews out his lies. Even when we, especially inside the church, do not believe his lies, we often allow those lies to set the agenda for our thinking. Rather than moving forward in faith, we live reacting to lies.*

For example, the Holy Spirit did not inspire Moses to write the account of Creation in order to refute the teachings of Darwin, which would come millennia later. God's purposes were much higher. God calls us to believe all that the Bible teaches and not find ways to make it more palatable. God calls us, as Sproul often says, "to repent and believe the gospel."

R.C. Sproul, Jr. writes in a very readable manner and addresses truths that every Christian, regardless of his theological perspective, needs to hear and consider. These truths are exactly what homeschooling parents will wish to convey to their children as they disciple them.

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