



Jordan's Journal[®]

Painting My World.

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Touch Points

-  Magic isn't real; Miracles are.
-  What you see with your eyes goes into your heart.
-  Make sure God likes what you are saying.
-  Your ears and your thoughts are connected.
-  God gives you back more than you lost.
-  You can hear God better when you are quiet.

Jordan's fingerprints touch upon important points we should try to remember.

Dirty Hands

God's hands are all over the earth.

He is the best gardener there is. Gardening makes Him feel good. It reminds Him of Eden when He made Adam. Boy, did He get dirty! First, He made the dirt into a big, round ball and then He worked it into an oval. After that, He did the real design work. Squish! Pat. Floop!

God loved to squash the mud through His fingers. He liked touching it because He knew what it was going to be.

God was making a friend.

When God was done, He breathed Himself into Adam and Adam came to life!



There's something about dirt that God likes.

Plants come out of the dirt; it feeds them. Water moves dirt around. God even made bugs and worms to live in the dirt. If He didn't like dirt, He wouldn't have made it.

Jesus likes dirt, too. He used mud to make blind people see.

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God and Me

God and Me. We are together. I love Him; He loves me. I also love my mom. We have fun together.

God made my mom better when she was sick. He takes care of us. He does miracles, too.

That's the best thing!

I make God smile wherever I am. Sometimes when I am alone, I think about Him. That makes God happy.

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"Hiding Hearts"

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I painted this a long time ago and I still like it. The hearts are hiding so no one sees them. The only time they come out is when they feel safe. The little one is only hiding because the big hearts told her to. (She really wants to explore the meadow and do fun things!) They are missing out.

**"Art is like Music
for the Eyes."
- Jordan**

Jordan's Gallery



Prints and greeting cards of Jordan's artwork are available by order.

Dirty Hands (continued)

He drew in the dirt with sticks.

When Jesus put mud on the man's eyes so he could see, I think He used dirt because that's how God showed Him to do it when they were working on Adam.

What's the big deal about dirt anyway? I think I know. I think God likes dirt because it is the stuff we are made of.

**He loves dirt because
He loves us.**

When the snake got in trouble for lying and tricking Eve, God made him have to crawl on the dirt for the rest of his life so he would have to touch the dirt God loved.

The snake hated it. He had to look at the dirt up close and it made him think of Adam. He kept thinking about how God made Adam the boss and not him. That made him MAD because *he* wanted to be boss, not Adam.

Not only that, but the dirt tasted bad and when his tongue went in and out he would get it in his mouth. Since the snake made Eve eat something bad, God made the snake eat something bad.

It was a good idea. I would've stepped on his tail.

Adam got in trouble too. He had to work in the dirt to make food grow. Since plants already came out of the dirt, it wasn't such a big deal except that now weeds and thorns started to grow. God wanted Adam to see that what he did was bad. I'm sure he figured it out pretty quick after a few good pokes.

**Weeds are not good
to have in your heart
or in your garden.**

Dirt belongs on the outside; God's Breath belongs on the inside.

Hide and Seek

When God paints a picture, He doesn't let you see all of it at once. He likes to watch your eyes see each new part. It's like they are talking to Him.

Sometimes, God hides behind His work and listens to what you say about it.

One of the reasons God hides is so we can have fun finding Him. God is invisible so you have to look for His clues to know where He is, kind of like Blue's Clues. He does little hints so you know it's Him.

God also hides because He really likes surprises. It's one of His favorite things.

I think He likes surprises because He can't get surprised. That's why it's fun for Him to see ME get surprised!

You never know what He will do; that's why it's always a surprise.



God and Me (continued)

We are like the fruit off of God's Tree.



"God's Fruit"

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God takes care of the fruit. He gives it water and sun and nutrients to grow.

"I can do all things through Jesus Who makes me strong."

Phillipians 4:13



Build Your Own Prayer Shelter



Whenever I want to be alone with God, I build a Prayer Shelter. I like being in my Prayer Shelter. You will too.

What I do is take the cushions off the couch and make them be the walls and roof. I also put pillows on the floor to make it comfy. Then I put a blanket over the top to cover up all the holes.

After I crawl inside, my mom fixes the blanket so it covers the door. God comes in with me and I talk to Him. It is secret inside. No one can see me. It feels good to be in there. You should try it.

Don't make your Prayer Shelter too big. That way, God is closer.





From the Mouths of Babes...

Colorful Me is authored by 5-year-old Jordan Allyn Cook for people of all ages. All articles with her handprint next to them are dictated by her, word-for-word. Other articles are put together using *her* original ideas. Nothing has been added to her content—grammatically, doctrinally, or otherwise. Though not yet in kindergarten, she is an avid reader, painter, and photographer. Many of her pictures are displayed in this Journal.

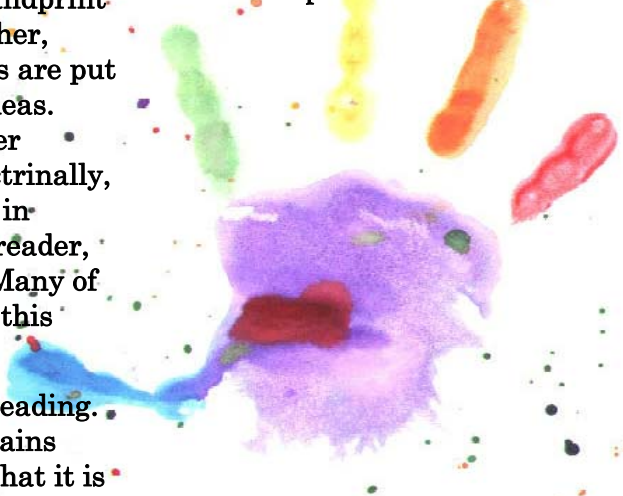
Our reasons for publishing will be obvious upon your first reading. Each month, in her simple, matter-of-fact way, Jordan explains concepts far beyond her years with such profound wisdom that it is undeniably clear Who is behind their authorship. Her voice is but one of the many emerging trumpets of the next generation; the shofars of the future. We pray her words bless you as she writes about whatever the Spirit moves her to express.

Breath of Life Ministry

“Handprint”

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Jordan made this handprint sitting in her highchair at age 3. It speaks for itself.



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Kids have all their lives to *become*. Why rush them? By supporting their efforts to discover and evaluate their world instead of explaining every mystery, by allowing them to draw their own—albeit sometimes flawed—conclusions,

we may learn much through them. In truth, they possess what we lack: minds unfettered by preconceptions, thoughts that originate from within, and unabashed faith. The more I listen to my daughter, the more I hear in her words. It does not matter if I hear more in her words than she means; What matters is that I hear. I would not trade that ability for any treasure the world could offer me. If you listen in this way, talking with children is anything but childish. They express things in ways that bypass our filters. They catch us off guard, touch us in new ways, and tickle our souls. This calendar communicates, in word and image, precisely what I am talking about. It refreshes the heart.

Michelle Cook