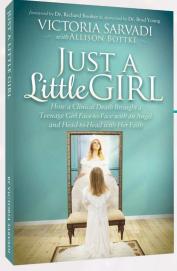
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How a Clinical Death Brought a Teenage Girl Face-to-Face with an Angel and Head-to-Head with Her Faith

by Victoria Sarvadi with Allison Bottke

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DALLAS, TX, August 11, 2016—When eighteen-year-old Victoria dies in the ICU and encounters an angel that gives her a message from God, her insatiable quest for spiritual enlightenment begins. As compelling as any contemporary novel, *Just a Little Girl* is the debut memoir of an inspiring woman with keen perception and exceptional resilience. This dramatic true story is a roller-coaster ride through supernatural experience, denominational enlightenment, and a teenage marriage that not only survives the loss of a child but thrives through unbeatable odds.

Shining a fresh light on the theology of a Jewish Jesus, the author deftly weaves the history of the Christian faith from its genesis of the first century to the present-day Greco-Roman Christianity—all the while giving us an up close and personal glimpse of the extraordinary life of a couple as they navigate a spiritual journey through the gamut of Christian denominations to the Jewish roots of the first-century teachings of Jesus. A couple whose philanthropic work has led to the donation of millions of dollars to charities in the U.S. and abroad.

A devoted wife, mother of six, and grandmother of nineteen, Victoria refuses to succumb to age and limitations. Far from "just a little girl," Dr. Victoria Sarvadi's unconventional journey from teenage motherhood to Hebraic scholar and teacher will captivate and consume you from start to finish. *Just a Little Girl* will hit bookstores nationwide in September, and is available for pre-order now on Amazon.com.

Just a Little Girl, is a word painting on the canvas of life. Victoria Sarvadi tells a riveting story of her personal journey combined with her faith in the Almighty Creator. Through her moving narrative, our faith in G-d is fortified. This is a must read for believers and non-believers alike. You will not be able to put it down!

- Jonathan Settel, Messianic Recording Artist

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About VICTORIA gryagi

Dr. Victoria Sarvadi received her Th.M. and Th.D. in 2005 from the former Center for the Study of Biblical Research in Glendora, California, accredited at the time by the University of the State of California. A certified minister in the Hebraic Christian Global Community since 2000, she is a frequent contributor to *Restore!* Magazine, a publication of the HCGC. She has been a speaker for conferences, congregations, women's ministry groups, Bible studies, and at the *Vision for Israel Sukkot Conferences* in Jerusalem, Israel. As a featured guest on national and international radio and television programs, her appearances on both the Crossover Program and Brad TV have been seen worldwide. Her *Precious Gems* teachings on the Jewish roots of Christianity have appeared in numerous publications and will soon be available online at VictoriaSarvadi.com.

She has six children, nineteen grandchildren, and is married to Paul Sarvadi, Chairman, CEO, and Co-Founder of Insperity, Inc., a world leader in business and human resources services based in Kingwood, Texas. As co-founders of the Nathaniel Foundation, the Sarvadis philanthropic contributions support numerous charities in the U.S. and abroad. All proceeds from *Just a Little Girl* will fund the Nathaniel Foundation.

Notable Quotes from Just a Little Girl

I devote so much time to my Bible studies and teaching, I sometimes forget the mandate I was given to share my testimony. Although testimony is *personal*, it is not intended to be *private*, and sharing with others what God has done in our life is critical. This call is made known throughout scripture, such as in Isaiah 12:4 where it reads, "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted."

Although I spent many years as a respected businesswoman and ministry leader in my work with the Nathaniel Foundation and the Nathaniel Center, I can't deny I frequently felt the sting of outside judgment because I challenged the traditional roles of a woman in ministry leadership. I can't deny the frustration of not being taken seriously—of being thought of as "just a little girl." And I can't deny being affected by that little-girl voice deep inside my brain that often echoed my father's words, "Just who do you think you are, Victoria?" All this "negative noise" acted like constant low-level static in my spirit for years—noise that interrupted my ability to operate at full frequency. Noise that kept me from clearly hearing God's truth.

I have always treasured and respected the name of Jesus, as do all faithful believers.

However, the more enamored I became with Jesus as the Jewish theologian, the more apparent it became that there were other Christians in my church who didn't share in my excitement. When I began to refer to Jesus by His Hebrew name, I could sense the discomfort some people felt. This made no sense to me; *Yeshua* translates to "God saves" and isn't Jesus the personification of salvation? The Father's gift to mankind? *Yeshua* was also known as "Rabbi," a term that seemed to make some people equally uncomfortable.

In fact, it seemed the entire Jewishness of Jesus made some folks downright squeamish. I couldn't understand why anyone would be hesitant to call Jesus a Jew. After all, He was.

I decided my dissertation would be the writing of a Bible study with a Hebraic perspective for young girls, ages thirteen to nineteen. I was motivated to help teen girls as I saw the struggle my own daughter was going through. My heart broke for my young teenager who always seemed so sad and so determined to grow up too fast.

The study would be written for adolescent teen girls to prepare them for situations and circumstances they may face during this stressful and confusing time. Transitioning from childhood to womanhood takes guidance. So many young girls take their cues and lessons from Hollywood or each other. This Bible study, entitled *Immersed in Myrrh*, would use Hebraic insight to teach girls biblical truth and include a teacher's manual component.

Notable Quotes Continued...

Without a doubt, the Spirit of God is abundantly present in my husband's life. Paul has an amazing and inspiring story of his own to tell, but it's not my place to tell his story here. What I can tell you is that his spiritual journey and his entrepreneurial vision are truly exceptional. Today, he openly gives God all the glory, honor and praise for his success—personally and professionally. He is a man who deeply loves and cares for his family. A man whose outstanding communication and leadership skills made him the youngest man to ever be inducted into the Texas Business Hall of Fame in 2007. A man who took the vision for a human resources business and turned it into a publicly traded company with annual gross revenues in the billions. I suppose I could be just a tad biased, but I don't think so.

That night after Paul left the hospital, I was exhausted and tired of crying. As I tried to calm my spirit, I began to hear words inside my head as though someone was talking to me. Unable to ignore the words, I grabbed some of the envelopes from the stack of get well soon and sympathy cards people had sent me, and I wrote the words swimming around in my head.

"In about a year, and less than two, I will give you another child. Perfect and healthy. Do not fear for you will not be sick, and you will have no complications. This child will be mighty in the eyes of the Lord and do great things for My kingdom. Many will come to the knowledge of God and be healed and delivered. For this child will hear My voice, have a heart after Me and do great exploits for My glory. Many will be blessed."

I looked with stunned amazement at the words I'd written. I never had such a phenomenon happen to me, never mind the fact I communicated face-to-face with my guardian angel. I wasn't familiar with prophecy or how it worked, and I wondered if this was how life would be from now on? Would I always hear these silent voices? Have visions? See angels? Had some secret doorway been opened? I didn't know, but I treasured this note from God. I read and re-read the words I was compelled to write, then tucked it away and trusted God would bring it about in His appointed time.

I had no idea this would be the first of many prophetic messages the Spirit of God would reveal to my heart and mind—and manifest in reality. Indeed, a doorway was opened—ushering me into a spiritually supernatural life.

The majority of my adult memories are of being pregnant, giving birth, raising children, taking care of grandchildren, and supporting the career path of my husband. I have little life experience that does not include nurturing the life of another. I have six grown children ranging in age from twenty-three to forty, and nineteen grandchildren—toddlers to teenagers—who are hopeful, talented and intuitive – many possessing wisdom and talent far beyond their years.

Yet in addition to these memories, I've had the opportunity to be involved in the development and support of a great many significant ministries that have touched countless lives all over the world. Lives that I have had a personal interest in.

I've been blessed beyond measure, and little of this would have been possible without God—and Paul Jay Sarvadi.

"Holy Spirit" in Hebrew is Ruach Ha Kodesh, which can be translated to the wind or breath of God. Just as Adam received the breath of God after he was created, it is also received after one becomes a new creation in Christ—when the Ruach (or breath of God) comes in to give new life, a new life of power. The Holy Spirit does not just breathe one breath into your physical lungs, but rather new life into your entire being. Because you are crucified with Christ, nevertheless you live, and the Holy Spirit now lives in you and gives you His constant breath. He—the Holy Spirit—actually is the breath you breathe.

Without His Spirit, we cannot clearly hear God's voice.

The anointing of the Holy Spirit gives us a supernatural power that causes a renewing of the mind—and the mind is where conflict is fought.

I had been experiencing inner conflict for years, but my season of confusion was about to end. At last, I could finally begin to walk in the purpose my Guardian Angel had shared with me when I died.

Suggested Interview Questions for the Author by Allison Bottke

- 1. You married your high-school sweetheart and almost four-decades later, you're still married. If you could give young married couples only one piece of advice what would it be?
- 2. You're the wife of a very powerful and influential businessman, the mother of six grown children, and the grandmother of twenty. You're also the co-founder of a non-profit foundation and the spiritual leader of a growing fellowship of believers who are hungry to know the Jewish roots of their Christian faith. How do you balance the responsibilities of those numerous roles and not lose yourself in the process?
- **3.** Let's be honest...when we think of a Hebrew Scholar who has a passion to share the Bible as it was originally written in the ancient text of the Torah, we don't think of a petite attractive blonde who wears Christian Louboutin high heels and looks like a movie star. How has your look helped—or hindered your ability to be taken seriously?
- **4.** As a young teenage mother, you officially died on the table in the ICU of the Houston Medical Center. As the Code Blue message blared on the hospital intercom, you say you experienced a journey through a "time grid of your life." And at the end of that journey you came face-to-face with an angel. What was that like? What did the angel tell you?
- **5.** The Developmental Editor on *Just a Little Girl* is Allison Bottke, the best-selling author of over 30 non-fiction books, including the landmark Setting Boundaries series from Harvest House Publishers. How has her involvement in your debut book helped to shape the manuscript?
- **6.** You've given readers a very unusual view into various Protestant denominations as you and your husband were searching for church homes over the years. What is it about denominational affiliation that concerns you?
- 7. You say that we can only find peace in life when we have a desire to lift the fog of spiritual amnesia that keeps us from knowing God's truth. What exactly do you mean by that?
- **8.** Your memoir is a compelling story of an amazing life...what do you want readers to take away from having read it?
- **9.** What is it about the Hebrew language that most fascinates you? And why is it important for contemporary readers to understand the context in which the original Scriptures were written?
 - 10. What exactly is the Nathaniel Foundation and why did you and your husband start it?

Foreword and Afterword

EXCERPT from FOREWORD

By Dr. Richard Booker

It is always inspiring to read someone's personal journey in life and Vicki's story is certainly inspiring. I appreciate her honesty in sharing the good, the bad and the ugly. We all have issues in life but sometimes writers are reluctant to share their fears and failings. While her story is written from the perspective of a woman, her human experience is just as relevant for men to read—and I hope they will.

Vicki showed great courage and transparency in telling her story. I commend her for showing her humanity, which is a good reminder to all of us that God uses imperfect people who are willing to follow Him no matter the cost. We see this in the Bible where the failings of the chosen people and the prophets, priests and kings are written along with the good they accomplished. Yeshua/Jesus is the only perfect One.

I am proud to have Vicki as a graduate of my Institute and to call her my spiritual daughter. I am encouraged that she is passing on to others what she has learned and continues to learn. The Bible says that "with what we have learned, find a few faithful who can pass that knowledge and life to others" (2 Timothy 2:2). In other words, make disciples. Vicki is doing this through her life, her teachings, and now through this book. Much more than "just a little girl," she is a woman of God who is making a difference in people's lives. I can't wait to see what else God has for her as she presses towards the mark of her high calling (Philippians 3:14).

Dr. Richard Booker, Author; Director/Founder of Sounds of the Trumpet and The Institute for Hebraic Christian Studies

EXCERPT from AFTERWORD

By Brad H. Young, Ph.D.

No pain surpasses the hurt of losing a child. When a parent dies, an individual loses the past—but when a child dies, a person loses the future. Any mother who loses a baby is overcome with a great sense of loss, as was Victoria when she lost her baby boy at his birth. On top of this tragedy, she experienced her own death—an event that completely changed the trajectory of her life. An event that brought her face-to-face with a heavenly being—an angel.

When Victoria died, she experienced a revelation of incredible hope. Through her, we learn that each day counts, every day of life is a gift, and we should never take anything for granted.

Victoria's openness to learning and her willingness to share discoveries has made her a natural leader. She sees what is being birthed in a world of conflict and confusion, and her spiritual gifts flow naturally from a sincere heart and a sound mind. She is not satisfied with easy answers that impede true scholarly reflection—in that she is a scholar of Bible and theology, and readers will benefit from learning her insightful teachings. She sees the larger problems from a spiritual vantage point with wisdom and precision. Grounded in the teachings of Jesus and the Jewish roots of the Christian faith experience, Victoria leads by example and her story is filled with hope.

Victoria's timeless message has immediate practical application. A reader can discover a path to the realization of a dream—that a career aspiration is attainable—and a relationship can be healed and restored.

Jesus taught, "All things are possible to the one who believes."

Victoria's exciting story challenges readers to believe—trust—and love.

Dr. Brad H. Young, Author; Professor of Biblical Literature at Oral Roberts University; President of the Gospel Research Foundation, Inc.

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VIP Endorsement Quotes

God shows up in the laboratory of human experience and the divine evidence radiates through the lives of those who encounter Him. Be prepared to meet Him through the profound and authentic life of Dr. Victoria Sarvadi. Far more than "just a little girl," she is a mighty woman who walks with God. **Bron Barkley, M.A., D. Min.**

Just a Little Girl is warm and engaging because the author boldly shares her personal testimony in the context of real family relationships in which she has dealt with extraordinary challenges, experienced miracles of divine intervention, and freely welcomed God's involvement in every aspect of her family and community life. Dr. Victoria Sarvadi's debut book is illuminating and inspiring because it weaves together the natural events and circumstances of life—both the tragic and sublime—with a profound, experiential walk with God through the Messiah in the resurrection power of the Holy Spirit.

John D. Garr, Ph.D.

Skillfully written, a book of personal monumental life changing testimonials! Heartwarming, encouraging, inspirational and hard to put down. A very personal and uplifting book filled with life as it is. Dr. Sarvadi's life story is a testament of God, His love, and faith in answered prayers. *Just a Little Girl* invites you, the reader into her dilemmas and glorious triumphs, and will take you thru life-changing events. A spiritual journey that is sure to edify and encourage the reader!

Dr. Chris and Sasha Holloway, Ministers and Recording Artists

In *Just A Little Girl* you will see the fingerprints of God in Victoria Sarvadi's life. Her love for Jesus was evident since the time she met Him in the spirit realm as a teenager. With total dependence on God and a childlike faith, her testimony will ignite the flame of faith in many. She has experienced pain and trials—however, it was how she chose to face them that made her who she is today...a strong woman of God who found her purpose.

Susie Jennings, Author and Director of Operation Care International, Dallas

Tears fill my eyes as I read how Victoria Sarvadi's life has been formed by an insatiable desire for spiritual truth. My heart melts by the love and passion Vicki has beautifully expressed in the pages of her book. Each page, for me, was a feast! A feast of truth bound up in the life of an amazing and tenacious woman of God, with revelation and wisdom that few carry and exemplify these days. Her simple, yet deep way of bringing others along with her on a journey of exploration, development and growth etched in *Just a Little Girl* is truly surprising, faith producing and exhilarating. This is a book I want everyone to read!

Jody Ryabinov, Co-Founder and Minister, Songs of Israel, Zicron Yacov, Israel

Victoria's amazing story shows her heart for God and her desire to bring unconditional love to those around her, family and friends. It isn't often we see this level of transparency in someone like Victoria—a woman who has lived a life full of challenges and blessings. Most of us worry what people might think about us—but not this courageous author. Because she opens her heart to share her struggles, experiences, and hopes—openly and without fear, we can relate to her life in a transforming way. May Victoria's accomplishments lead to victories in your life.

Barry and Batya Segal, Co-Founders of Vision for Israel

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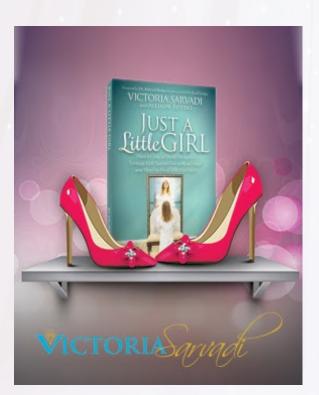
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