

Words

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Ten-year-old

Kaylee Wren has a giant vocabulary—evidence of hours spent pouring through the pages of her mother’s dictionary. However, Kaylee doesn’t speak, and why would she?

Abandoned

by her parents, molested by her mother’s former boyfriend time and again in a cabin in the redwoods, Kaylee has every reason to shut herself away emotionally. The many words she has collected in her mind are her only companions, a hollowed redwood her only refuge.

Kaylee’s

future seems hopeless until, from the security of her tree, she spots gifted artist Sierra Dawn Bickford. Tormented by the death of her newborn daughter 12 years earlier—a result of drug use during pregnancy—Sierra needs a chance to be the mother she always wanted to be, and she gets that chance with Kaylee.

Beautifully

written, Yttrup’s first novel is also captivating, as the story is told from both Kaylee’s and Sierra’s perspectives. *Words* vividly demonstrates how lives can be saved by the healing power of Jesus.

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