

That Book

John (1:1) “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”

Mindy	What are you doing out here on this park bench?
Lulu	Mmmmm. (<i>looks up</i>) Oh. Reading. (<i>goes back to her book</i>)
Mindy	Reading what?
Lulu	Hmm?
Mindy	What are you <i>reading</i> ?
Lulu	Oh. The Bible.
Mindy	The Bible! Huh.
Lulu	Yep. (<i>keeps reading</i>)
Mindy	Hmmm. (<i>watches how engrossed she is</i>) Is it good?
Lulu	Good. Yeah.
Mindy	Real good?
Lulu	(<i>big sigh</i>) Do you want me to read some of it to you?
Mindy	I don't know. Is it interesting?
Lulu	Extremely.
Mindy	What's so interesting about it?
Lulu	Well, for one thing, it's the Living Word of God.
Mindy	Huh?
Lulu	Sacred Scripture. All these true stories by all these people who loved God are really HIS stories. They are alive and powerful. And very, very exciting.
Mindy	Exciting? I didn't know the Bible was exciting.
Lulu	Sure it is. You've got the creation of the universe, the creation of human beings, the first SIN! Noah and the ark, the great flood, David slaying the giant in the name of God! Moses leading the Israelites right through the Red Sea! The walls of the city of Jericho falling down! The great prophets! Jonah getting swallowed by the whale! The coming of the messiah Jesus Christ as a little baby! Angels! Demons! Apostles! Miracles! It's got EVERYTHING YOU COULD POSSIBLY WANT!
Mindy	Woah. (<i>very impressed</i>)
Lulu	Yeah.

Mindy	It's a little dusty, but I think we have one of those at home.
Lulu	You probably do. Ask your mom and dad to show it to you.
Mindy	I wonder why they never told me.
Lulu	Never told you what?
Mindy	That the Bible was so wonderful.
Lulu	I don't know. Why don't <i>you</i> tell <i>them</i> ?
Mindy	I don't know. I might wait for a while.
Lulu	Why?
Mindy	I'm not sure I want to share it just yet.
Lulu	<i>(laughs)</i> That I can understand! But reading the Bible makes you want to share it.
Mindy	I gotta go.
Lulu	Where to?
Mindy	Home. I've got some reading to do.
Lulu	Me, too! Nice talking to you! Have fun!
Mindy	You bet! And thanks a lot! Bye!
Lulu	<i>(sings softly as she returns to reading)</i> Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, Jericho, Jericho...

The End