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Hi, everyone. This is Alan Packer, Emily's dad.

I know that it is a bit late for me to weigh in on this, but I have a pretty simple viewpoint: This is a book that includes Jesus miraculously healing people, includes passages saying that Jewish Rabbis want to Jesus killed because they are jealous of him, and centers on a young Jewish man who changes his whole viewpoint on life after listening to Jesus. Frankly, I honestly have trouble seeing how there can be any real question whether this book presents -- at least in part -- a pro-Christian/anti-Jewish religious point of view.

Here's how the book is presented on the internet:

bbokangles.com: "I found **The Bronze Bow** to be a worthwhile book for numerous reasons: It is well written and interesting, it brings a slice of history to life and shows the fruit of Jesus' love in contrast to a life of hatred and revenge. **One friend said that this got the Christian message across better than many overtly Christian books.**"

www.baptistbookworld.com: "Set in Galilee in the time of Jesus, this story tells of a young Jewish rebel who is **won over to the gentle teachings of Jesus.** "

www.christianbook.com: "Daniel's **life is forever changed after an encounter with a wandering teacher named Jesus.**"

staceys.booksense.com: "Headstrong Daniel is devoid of tenderness and forgiveness, heading down a destructive path toward disaster **until he hears the lessons taught by Jesus of Nazareth.**"

homepages.ius.edu: "Daniel must make life changing decisions about the path he will take as he struggles with his hate. **He must decide if Jesus is**

the promised Messiah."

www.rbookshop.com: "Buy *The Bronze Bow* here, **one of many *Jesus* books offered for sale** at discount prices here at Rbookshop.com."

www.amazon.com: "Set in Galilee in the time of Jesus, this is the story of a young Jewish rebel who is **won over to the gentle teachings of Jesus.**" Amazon classifies the book as: [Subjects](#) > [Children's Books](#) > [Religions](#) > [Fiction](#) > [Christian](#)

MSN Shopping similarly classifies the book as: [Home](#) > [Books](#) > [Fiction & Literature](#) > [Juvenile Fiction](#) > [Religious Fiction](#) > [Christian](#)

I agree with Lenny on this, and would welcome the opportunity to meet. I am very concerned that our public school is requiring children to read a book that is, in fact, classified as Christian religious fiction. I have an open mind, and have high regard for Ms. Pelligrini and Ms. Logan. At the same time, I do feel that there are real issues here that should be addressed.

-Alan Packer