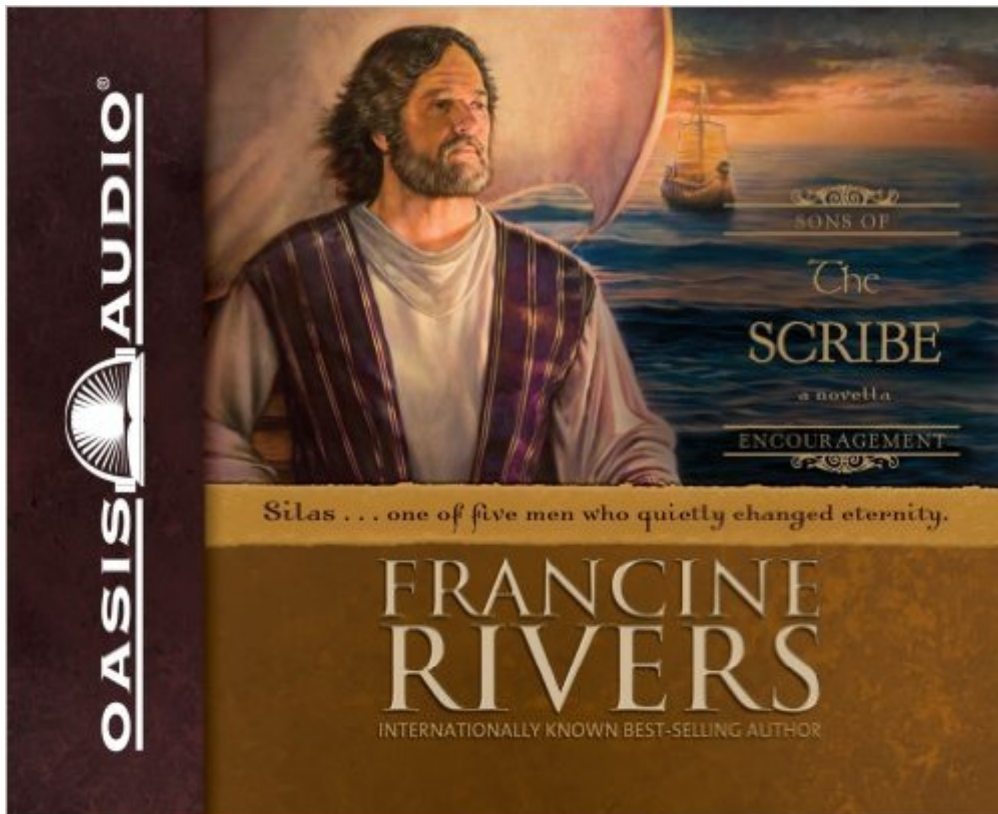


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# The Scribe: Silas (Sons Of Encouragement Series #5)



## Synopsis

His wealth allowed him a position of power. His obedience led him to give up his worldly possessions. His humility helped him dedicate his life to recording the words of others. After the death and resurrection of Jesus, Peter and Paul preached to the nations, carrying Christ's message to all who would listen. But when they were silenced, it was their scribe who brought their words to future generations: Silas.

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## Customer Reviews

When I was a child, I became an avid reader when I picked up my first secular novel, and I was particularly fascinated by historical novels because of my love for history. When I became a Christian, I was in such love with my Savior Jesus Christ that I couldn't get enough of Christian literature. I put aside novels for years. I never thought that there were good Christian novels available, except for romances and the like which only seemed to arouse in me sinful passions and desires. I ran across Francine Rivers somewhat inadvertently. It had been so long since I read a novel that I decided to try once more. "The Scribe" was the second of her books that I read within a couple-week period. I was shocked by the expertise of skill of her writing. She intrigued every facet of my interests, from a good story, to a historical drama, to a Biblical edification. Though much of the story of Silas's personal life in this book is fictional, the concept behind the fiction is so real-to-life for any Christian, that I was greatly helped in the Christian walk. This book is particularly a story of encouragement. Its center is God and the glorious strength that He gives to pick up His despondant servants. The book exalts Jesus Christ and magnifies the unchanging faithfulness and goodness of

the Lord. I highly recommend it!

Silas has been the Scribe to Paul and Peter, but now warns the latter he and his wife must flee the city as the former has been arrested and the soldiers seek out his associate apostles. Like his peers, he struggles with why, but still bravely goes about risking his life to continue his work of writing down on parchment the words that one day will form a major religion. However, today his chore is to save the parchments. The fifth Sons of Encouragement tale (see Aaron The Priest, Caleb The Warrior, Jonathan The Prince, Amos The Prophet) focuses on the scribe whose work kept alive the words of Paul and Peter long after they died. The key to this fine tale of a biblical sidekick is that the audience obtains a deep look at early days of Christianity and an insightful glimpse at Paul and to a lesser degree Peter, especially how each reflect on Jesus. Readers will appreciate this biblical biographical fiction that brings to life a person who sacrifices much behind the scenes so that the Kingdom of God on earth can open its tent to everyone. This is a great finish to a powerful series. Harriet Klausner

I have read all Francine Rivers novellas. She is truly has a godly gift and blessed for conveying important stories of the Bible many readers may not be familiar with. Although the story of Silas the scribe was difficult for me to get emersed into. Once, I did get into the story I was wowed with all the Silas as well as the other displines endured after the resurrection of Jesus. The story impresses upon the reader that Silas and Paul are not only men of Christ spreading the word but are the first missionaries. The story happened in biblical times but one can not help but think of todays missionaries and wonder what persecution they must endure. I would reccommend this book but be patience with the story. You may need to read of the sorrow and sadness to get to the joy and happiness.

Love these stories by Francine Rivers! I have read the stories in the old and new testament in the Bible, but she brings the characters alive, giving a greater understanding to the culture and history to the Bible. The Bible is all true, I trust and believe each and every word, it is sometimes hard to remember that each person in the bible was alive and living with all human frailties and shortcomings. Francine with her thoughtful insight and imagery revealed how each person may have responded to the obstacles they faced to be faithful always. I loved all the books I ordered by this author! I would and have recmmend this book and all the "Sons of Encouragement series and well as the Lineage of Grace!

I have read all of Francine Rivers books. She gives detail to scriptures, and fleshes out the characters. This book is one in a series. Anything she writes is worth the time to read! You come away with a better understanding of the Bible and how God uses people to continue His Plan .

God chose murders, plain young shepherd men etc, and caused them to excell in ways they could be used to bless others. They were raised up to be leaders that set the captives free. The greatest one was bashful, stammered, couldn't talk plain and was a murderer, but God did something beautiful in their lives for the benefit of nations and generations to come.....Their leadership continues on to this day.....

Silas by Francine Rivers  
The Book The Scribe, the fifth book in the Sons of Encouragement series, Rivers tells the life of Silas. This man, a lesser-known biblical character but not lesser in eternity. The man behind the scenes recorded much of the New Testament. The early church and the trials of Paul, all portrayed in this book.  
My Thoughts: I listened to this book as I traveled to Wager, South Dakota, to conduct Kidâ™s Church. I saw through Silasâ™s eyes during a dangerous, yet exciting time. Francine was able to transport me to the first century. It was an excellent book, one that caused me to look at the Bible in a different and expanded way.

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