



RAISING ELIJAH

PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN IN AN
AGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS

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Raising Elijah: Protecting Our Children in an Age of Environmental Crisis (A Merloyd Lawrence Book)



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Nothing could possibly be more important than the health of our kids, and no a single is better suited to examine the threats against it than Sandra Steingraber. In *Living Downstream* she spoke as a biologist and malignancy survivor; Once called "a poet with a knife," she blends precise research with lyrical memoir. Through these everyday moments, Steingraber demonstrates how carefully the private, intimate world of parenting connects to the general public globe of policy-making and how the ongoing environmental crisis is certainly, fundamentally, a crisis of family life. Right now she speaks as the scientist mother of two young children, savoring and celebrating their lives while looking for methods to protect them--and all children--from the toxic, climate-threatened globe they inhabit Each chapter of the engaging and unique publication targets one inevitable ingredient of childhood--everything from pizza to laundry to homework to the "Big Chat"--and explores the underlying social, political, and ecological forces behind it. in *Having Faith* she spoke as an ecologist and pregnant woman, viewing her own body as a habitat.



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This author is walking the walk, and the book is superlative This is the second book by Sandra Steingraber that I purchased after viewing online the Costs Moyers interview of the writer on the eve of her incarceration for "trespass" in April, 2013 within several protestors obstructing fracking operations near her home in upstate New York. The preceding work, "Living Downstream" received my quite strong approval; indeed, I titled my review of that use the statement: "Bears effective witness to the need for combatting profit-mongering environmental destruction. One, a mature gentleman from a community that experienced successfully turned apart the trucks scheduled to dump fracking waste water into an old well in their town, declared "We have to be ready to lay down in front of the trucks. Speaks to Your Center and Empowers YOUR BRAIN She is a stylish, intelligent and hopeful author. He was gunned down in 1837 at the age of 35 due to his refusal to stop agitating for the finish of slavery. As a mother or father of two young children I talk about Dr Steingraber's assessment that protecting my children is main. A PhD scientist, she resources her material flawlessly, giving potent ammunition to those committed to help make our children's lives safer. Good book, valid points Interesting book, very thought provoking, but I found it quite depressing.) I was so pleased to find Raising Elijah, another amazing book. Although I don't fully trust all the ideas put forth, general an insightful and thought-provoking book. As with her previous work, the scientific conversation is tightly researched and of flawless accuracy; she lives up to her scientific credentials as a PhD Biologist impeccably. Great book. her story of the rabid bat found in her child's bedroom, or her have catastrophe while trying to thaw winter-frozen plumbing are both hilarious and heart-stopping. Her chapter titles, for example "Chapter Five: YOUR KITCHEN Floor (and National Security)" are certainly tantalizing; I will be giving copies of this reserve to my elected representatives in the wish that it doesn't consider another 40 years to implement policy that is clearly needed to protect children. We might extremely well wreck our world down beyond any wish of repair, and it may happen before my great grandchildren (I've only one right now) are grown. Yet true to the message in the very beginning about the effect of Elijah Lovejoy's initiatives despite his massacre, she insists that there surely is a way out, and that if we have the commitment and will, we can find it. And indeed, she certainly is walking the walk herself!" The truth is that everything I said about Steingraber's first book can be raised by at least a power of ten to describe this one. a great read about what's in our Environment A fact-based read, supported by several cited research."And there it is in a nutshell. As many people have begun to realize, we're on the knife-edge today. This book could be grim to the point of being unbearable in the hands of a less skilled author or less devoted parent. I couldn't place it down. As she asserted elsewhere in her discussion, we are indeed confronted with a choice; will we become so dependent on the perceived benefits of our profligate usage of fossil fuels that, just like the people who lived on the outskirts of Hitler's concentration camps, we don't spot the gathering clouds of noxious smoke cigarettes that will ultimately obliterate everything? Or will we certainly do what we are able to, turning the science which has provided us these horrendous problems back towards truly individual solutions? In her last chapter, "Bicycles on Main Street (and High-Quantity Slickwater Hydraulic Fracturing)" - obviously her newest & most focused activism trigger - she quotes two different people, pursuing a community meeting to go over the issue of fracking. The message is clear. The author is a good researcher, and an eloquent story teller. organic vs nonorganic) but instead that real change must arrive on a much bigger (state and federal) scale. Summertime assigned reading for my girl. A Must Read! But if there is any wish of a turnaround identical to that which led to the abolition of slavery, it will be because there are those like Sandra Steingraber who are willing to tell it like it is, well backed by scientific evidence but also

on fire with the interest of parents not ready to trade their children's long term for temporary financial gain. Sandra Steingraber is a tone of voice of reason with strong fact-based arguments for strengthening our environmental protections to more adequately protect children's health. We also really appreciate her contact to end up being engaged in open public/ civic lifestyle. As she says, as a college child she learned the story of Elijah's heroic commitment, and the fact that his martyrdom motivated others, including his dear friend Edward Beecher, president of Illinois University, and Beecher's sister Harriet (author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin") to consider up the abolitionist trigger. She displays us that the potent hazards to kids of lead color were well known by 1936, 40 years prior to the US ban on lead paint was enacted in 1976. They inspire, and invite laughter and companionship in the struggles and joys of parenthood.

Informative book Very informative and thought provoking. This book can be an inspiring call-to-arms which should rightfully become feared by chemical market executives and Halliburton frackers looking to tear up the Marcellus Shale from NY to Ohio. This didn't happen in the Deep South, though, but in Illinois, Steingraber's home state. and even, in each one of the areas she addresses, she ties jointly the mundane and the utterly terrifying in a totally coherent yet elaborate narrative. Really worth reading and posting with friends. It was great reading it on the Kindle app. she shows us some parenting methods and grassroots activism to business lead us towards a more healthy world for all children. Topics talked about in the book had be asking deeper queries and doing more analysis. I recommend it. Elijah is Sandra's second child, who also, as explained in the foreword, is named for Elijah Lovejoy, among the early martyrs of the Abolition Movement. I read her first reserve, Having Faith, while pregnant with my oldest. Alternate solutions to the fantastic many harmful products (and manufacturing procedures) for the normal items Corporate American produces and thrust upon the marketplace. (Thank goodness once and for all public libraries that bring us to new treasures (thanks a lot Missoula). The task of devoted authors who are deeply transferred by the huge social evils and dangers they perceive can, if well-written, inspire vitally required adjustments that may save a nation or even the complete planet. Five Stars Essential book for our occasions. The discussion felt like it was a call to action and to community, aswell as to the sacred trust to live our very own lives with grace, humor and the passionate desire to safeguard and nurture our kids. It's true she's writing from a standpoint that whether or not we poison our kids must not be a parent's decision (ie. She is not worked up about working over the summer, but has been reading it and doing the training course work. But more than just a traditional work displaying the alarming rise in pre-natal and early childhood exposures to a variety of carcinogens, endocrine disrupters, and asthma inducing substances; Using her own encounters as a mother or father she brings to life the dilemmas parents encounter trying to protect kids from harms that are dispersed by industrial practices and chemical-intensive farming. We don't want another book about what to buy, we are in need of a reserve about how exactly to live, collectively, to make a sustainable, healthy, healing globe for ourselves and our much loved kids. You'll love this book." The other quotation is from her boy Elijah: "We shouldn't wreck this place down, right, Mom? What is in our environment that harms our children. This book felt like the most kindred spirit go through that I found during pregnancy. An excellent education basis on the alternatives we have concerning caring for our health and wellness and environment. Assigned reading... The writer gives some great pro-active ideas, like growing a backyard, composting, line drying clothes, etc. I really like her tales of her own family life. Great book. It was great reading it on the .. I learn too much about the chemicals that companies make use of to create their toxic products. Nevertheless, she also writes as a mom in terms that any parent can easily relate to; This might be a good

choice for book organizations and for every college and community library. I had the good fortune to listen to her speak about the book in Baltimore. Every mother or father and every non-mother or father should read this. Did a publication report on this 1 and it drive ... Did a book report on this one particular and it drive you nuts.. Well written, close to home I was thus impressed with this reserve I gave it to many people, including circumstances representative. Insightful Impassioned writing by a knowledgeable scientist and mom. And Sandra Steingraber's books are incredibly well-written. Readable and follow.



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