PITCH: WHY KIDS NEED GOOD STORIES. HOW TO GET YOUR KID OFF THEIR SCREEN—TRY A BOOK.

It seems odd that a person trained to cut things out of the body would carve out time to write children's books. Today we'll talk with Dr. Charles Page. And we'll learn why? Dr. Chuck is an author, speaker, father of five kids and the founder of Spoonful of Courage, a Christian ministry aimed at inspiring people with hope and faith—in small doses.

Q: Dr. Chuck. What are you seeing in kids that has motivated you to write children's books?

Q: How do children's books make a difference and possibly reverse some of these trends?

Q: Current studies show that people are reading less and spending more time on their screens. Give us your take.

Q: Can you give us some personal examples of how this works out in your family?

Q: Tell us about your family and how this habit of reading books has influenced them.

Q: And what about the one still at home?

Q: We've talked a little about the emotional and intellectual importance of reading. Let's talk a little about content. Does what parents and caregivers read to their kids make a difference?

Q: Don't you think you're being biased and influencing readers with your Christian worldview?

Q: Do you suggest that parents read books to their children with beliefs contrary to their own?

Q: What kind of topics do you books cover?

Q: That's an interesting story. What life experience caused you to come up with a story like that?

Q: Any more kid's stories which are based on your experience?

Q: What's the spiritual message behind these children's books about Africa?

Q: Tell us about the Christmas book?

Q: So how can people connect with you, Dr. Chuck?

A: We have a lot of free resources on spoonful of courage.com—but that's more for parents. And for kids—since most are already online—let's give them some good options. We've got to start with where most kids are. And most kids are online. We have video Read Alouds which your kids can watch—with the goal, hopefully, of helping them disconnect and get into books. We've got some free links which

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