NONFICTION ABOUT FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Many books have been written about the psychological impact of family life. The following may help readers gain some insight into their own families.


BOOKS FOR YOUNGER READERS


DOCUMENTARIES ABOUT FAMILY

Since families are a part of everybody’s life, there are countless documentaries produced on the subject:


WEB SITES

The following web sites are designed to help people cope with the challenges that arise from family relationships:

http://helping.apa.org

The American Psychological Association has an entire section devoted to Family and Relationships.

http://www.parentingresources.ncri.org

A federally sponsored web site that can help parents with a variety of family concerns.

http://www.acf.dhhs.gov

The web site of the Administration for Children and Families, a branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

http://npin.org

The National Parent Information Network web site provides support groups for parents as well as links to ERIC, which provides access to the largest education database in the world.

“The Smith Family” By Tasha Oldham

The Smurfs of Salt Lake City may have America’s most common surname, but their story is anything but ordinary. With two boys, a dog, a nice house and a strong commitment to the Mormon Church, Steve and Kim Smith believed they had achieved the American dream. But after nine years of marriage, shattering revelations of betrayal came enough to test the strongest bonds of faith and love. Steve confesses to infidelities with men, and they both find they are HIV+. Kim makes an unlikely choice. “The Smith Family” is a searing account of one family’s struggle to preserve family and faith, while redefining forgiveness in the face of daunting tragedy.

P.O.V. premiere on PBS Tuesday, June 25, 2002 at 10:00 p.m. (check local listings).

ADULT FICTION

The following works of fiction explore similar themes as those in “The Smith Family”, i.e. AIDS/HIV, Marriage, Homosexuality and Family.


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ADULT NONFICTION

The following resource guides and non-fiction books explore the topic(s) of HIV/AIDS and/or Religion.


WEB SITES

There are thousands of web sites and organizations devoted to AIDS and HIV. Here are a few to start with:

http://www.aidsorg

http://www.nih.gov

http://www.amfar.org

http://hivinfo.ucsf.edu

Information on HIV/AIDS treatment, prevention and policy.

American Foundation for AIDS Research.

The web site of the National Institute of Health.

ADULT FICTION

Like "Hybrid", the following books show both the hardship and appeal of American farm life.


"Refrigerator Mothers" By David E. Simpson, J.J. Hanley and Gordon Quinn A Kartemquin Films Production Autism is one of today's fastest growing disorders, affecting 1 in 500 people. It is now known to be a neurological condition, but from the 1950s through the 1970s the medical establishment mistakenly believed it had found the root cause of the disorder: poor mothering. Doctors presumed that the often obsessive behaviors of autistic children-rigid rituals, speech difficulty, self-isolation-stemmed from their mothers' emotional frigidity. "Refrigerator Mothers" explores the traumatic legacy of blame, guilt and self-doubt suffered by a generation of women who were branded "refrigerator mothers." An Independent Television Service (ITVS) Co-presentation.

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