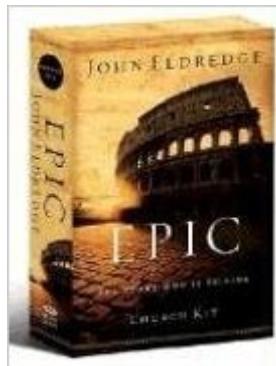


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# Epic Church Kit



## **Synopsis**

In a dramatic retelling of the gospel in four acts, John Eldredge examines the power of story, the universal longing for a "plot" that makes sense deep inside us, our desire for a meaningful role to play, and how all of this points us to the gospel itself. Now, this dynamic message is available for your entire church to experience. Featuring live presentations by John and a wealth of resources to fit your church's needs, Epic Church Kit contains:

- Epic trade paper book
- Epic Study Guide
- Facilitator's Guide on CD-ROM
- Quick Start Guide for jumpstarting your church experience
- DVD containing two live Epic presentations by John—a 1 Hour Full Length Version and a 38-Minute Version
- DVD containing the Epic Six-Part Curriculum Version
- CD-ROM containing additional marketing materials and fully-reproducible small group materials

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## **Customer Reviews**

John Eldredge is a counselor, teacher, and the author of numerous bestselling books including *Wild at Heart*, *Epic*, and *Beautiful Outlaw*. He is the director of Ransomed Heart, a ministry restoring masculinity to millions of men worldwide. John loves fly fishing, bow hunting, and great books. He lives in Colorado with his wife, Stasi.

I only received a partial kit!!!! No book & No CD #1. Very disappointing! Wasn't sure who to contact in order to receive rest of kit. Steve Smothers, 512-923-4810; (new address)-- 1009 Clyde Street, San Marcos, TX 78666

We are going to be using this for our men's bible study. I've seen the video before and have the book on my kindle. Love it, love it, love it.

John Eldredge's book "Epic" is a good enough read all by itself. Yet, the Epic Church Kit gives you so much more resource to share with you church members and small group participants to learn more about the story behind the story of our lives. With supporting study guide, facilitator's guide and a variety of DVD presentation options, the Epic Church Kit should be on the shelf of any church that's interested in presenting the gospel in a new, contemporary and fresh perspective for today's pre-Christian.

As with most anything written by Eldredge, the book is excellent. The video however leaves a lot to be desired. Do be sure to be caught up on your sleep before watching it.

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It has everything you need to conduct and Bible Study which helps in these busy times.

EPIC is a simple little book with a big message. While it is not very deep theologically, it spans the entire, panoramic view of the gospel. Key concepts are Eccl. 3:11 "God has placed eternity in our hearts" and John 10:10 "The thief comes to steal, to kill, and to destroy [our hearts]" but Jesus comes to give us Life! Eldredge conveys the gospel ("the story God is telling" as he puts it) in four acts: Act I Eternal Love: We are invited up and into the fellowship of the Trinity that already existed before we came on the scene. Act II The Entrance of Evil: Where God created the angels, but Lucifer led a betrayal and mutiny, bringing God's heart into question (yes, God won, but through power, and power is not the same as goodness). Act III The Battle for the Heart: Humanity (you and me) comes on the scene. God creates humans in His image, with the ability to love (i.e., to choose for or against God). Act IV The Kingdom Restored: The restoration of life as it was always meant to be. The prologue and an epilogue serve as individual lessons as well. When you add the intro lesson, in which you are to view the entire 38- or 71-minute version of the video as an introduction/overview, you have a 7-week series of lessons. This truly is a "non-propositional" method of telling the gospel, which is to say, it is thoroughly orthodox yet is full of life and imagination. It connects not just with the mind but with the heart, and is well worth it.

I've already shown the DVD to several people who have loved the message and we are now working to present this to the entire church. Fortunately there are enough resources included electronically that we can print off the number of handout's we need and be able to present a compelling and inspiring message.

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