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Twenty-two-year old Daniel, son of Melchior and Esther, lives out his days in rebellion and a drunken stupor . . . a great embarrassment to his father and his older brother, Joshua. *Life is boring beyond belief*, he thinks. But everything about his life is about to change . . . Melchior, former court astronomer, has been a wealthy merchant for the last three decades. As he prays for a miracle to save his son, he again ponders the signs he sees in the heavens. Perhaps the time of the young Messiah's work on earth has now come to fulfillment. In this tenth book in the A.D. Chronicles series, the Thoenes tell the parable of the Prodigal Son in a dramatic and memorable fashion.

## Tenth Stone Details

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### **Elizabeth says**

I enjoyed the usual Christian background of the book but i guess i'm getting a tad tired of the story. I still really enjoy the style and the different way of looking at scriptures and incorporating it in the text

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### **Jeni Enjaian says**

\*\*Update\*\* Daniel and Manaen could have been the same character. When an author includes as many characters as the Thoenes, it is inevitable that the same character crops up time and time again. This book, like its three immediate predecessors, did not survive round two of the purge of my personal collection.

I have copied and pasted some of my review for the eighth book in the series since I have nothing specific to add about the individual book. I will repeat some things that I have said in previous reviews of books in this series. The latter books in the series are much better than the earlier books, specifically books four, five, and six. For Christian fiction, it's a step above the vast majority though I still have issues with aspects of the story telling.

I can't recommend these books but I don't discourage anyone from reading them.

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### **Anne says**

I love the historical and scriptural accuracy of this series. It makes the gospels come alive at a new level and gives great context for the life of Jesus and the culture of Israel at the time. I love the back story in this book in particular. I've always had a love for the prodigal son and this makes me love him even more. It causes me to stop and check my heart for wrong motives of the older brother. This book also encouraged me to pray for people with authority and belief that Jesus still heals. This might be my favorite book of the series so far!

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### **Meadow Frisbie says**

This was probably my least favorite of the series.

There was only two brief encounters with Yeshua, and there were only two stories through the book. usually Thoene writes about at least three lives being intertwined. I AM looking forward to the final book, great job with all the other series!!!!

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### **Bridg8 says**

The story of the Prodigal Son tied in with Lilly & Cantor's story after M'akob. It wasn't my favorite out of the series. There were some good parts, but mostly I just wanted to smack the 'prodigal son'. I liked Lilly & Cantor's story, and at times got teary from parts of their story.

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### **Theresa Harvey says**

Another good book about Israel in Christ's time.

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### **Linda says**

*Tenth Stone* leaves the landscape of the Holy Land behind to follow Lily and Cantor, two of the healed lepers of the Valley of Mak'ob, to the land of Mesopotamia and the Synagogue of the Exiles. We also meet Daniel ben Melchior, the real-life version of the Prodigal Son. As always, the Thoenes tell Biblical and spiritual truths through the fictional lives of people who interacted with Yeshua of Nazareth (Jesus) during His lifetime here on Earth.

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### **Amanda says**

I was disappointed in this book. As far as stories go, it wasn't a bad one. The first several books in this series (this is number 10) were excellent, teaching so much about the history, culture, and language of the life of Jesus. The last few books have been more the made-up stories of the people who Jesus healed. While they are enjoyable to read, it was not what I was expecting or hoping for. And this one particularly disappointed me because an aspect of it almost borders on being fantasy, using a Bible verse out of context (at least it seems so to me) to suggest that a character is immortal. It seems that like many series that continue on for many books, this one might have outlived its glory.

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### **Todd Coburn says**

The entire AD Chronicles series, starting with book 1, is some of the best writing I've encountered, both in the spiritual and secular realms. Bodie's insights into Scripture are consistently deep, often deeper than what I have seen from many pastors and teachers of God's Word. The fictional details that she creates to flesh out the details of the story not recorded in Scripture seem insightful and accurate to a surprising degree. I highly recommend this book and series as the pinnacle of Bodie and Brock's work, which has all been superb in my opinion. Each book of the series (I've read 1-12) is well written and hard to set down. There is romance, passion, action, and fun. At the same time one can learn Biblical truth and insight, without even being aware of it most of the time. Enjoy.

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### **Bill&Sue says**

The tenth book in a 12 volume series, this book is the story of the Prodigal Son, interwoven into the story of Zaccheus from the book before! I learned the names of the ten stones of the foundation in Jewish History, and the ancient city Narda ( where the expensive Nard was produced) is the present city Fallujah!

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### **Mark Baker says**

The Thoene's bring back characters from earlier books to retell the story of the Prodigal Son. However, they turn their historical fiction into fantasy and kill the climax of what should have been a powerful book. I'm debating whether I will continue to read them or not.

Read my full review at [Carstairs Considers](#).

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### **Audrey says**

This is book #10 in a 12-book series called the AD Chronicles - historical fiction books that are set around the time of Jesus' birth and life. This one was very good. It weaves stories together of the lepers who were healed, from the 2nd book, and Melchior, one of the Magi who brought gifts to the baby Jesus, who now has sons of his own. In this story, the younger son of Melchior plays out the parable of the prodigal son. Of course, as with all of the Thoene books, there are many more characters and plot lines intertwined and the characters are well developed. I'll confess, this book made me cry. The repentance of the prodigal. Great book!

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### **Audrey says**

I'd like to rave about this book but I don't want to give too many spoilers. I'll say this much though, I love how all of Thoene's books are linked together forming a complete picture. This story also portrays the beautiful account of the Prodigal Son making it very real to the reader. And finally, it shows how Yeshua is the Chief Cornerstone fulfilling all prophecy. This is another well-loved book written by the Thoene's. I am eager to read the rest of them.

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### **Kw says**

I loved it. Nice to see the parable of the prodigal son woven into a broader work of fiction. I like the Thoene's imagination and their Hebrew references, plus the geography and history lessons contained in each of these novels. Good for them!

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### **Barbara says**

This book is set during the lifetime of Jesus, and most of it deals with the people and events surrounding the prodigal son. Some sections are more interesting than others, but I did enjoy reading it.

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