

Dear God (Tales from Foster High, #4.5) By John Goode I think maybe it has more of an impact being separate and you certainly don't have to have read the book it was excluded from to enjoy and get something from this wonderfully written piece of work.)This story has Kyle looking for answers in a local church and looks at the whole debate that is going on in churches all over the world right now about homosexuality.

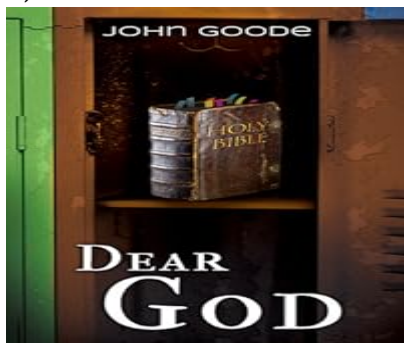
Incredibly approachable werewolf instead of the stuck up jerk of a vampire but was crushed when he found out the werewolf was actually gayer than he was. After that he turned down the mandatory operation everyone must receive at 16 to become pretty citing that everyone pretty were just too stupid to live before moving away for greener pastures. After falling down an oddly large rabbit hole he became huge when his love for cakes combined with his inability to resist what sparsely worded notes commanded and was finally kicked out when he began playing solitaire with the Red Queen's 4th and division. --This short episode takes place during 'End of the Innocence' and is an extra scene but you can read it as a stand-alone if you're just curious about God and gays and religion. You know not the kind that goes to church on Christmas and believes there is some kind of godly entity that believes Jesus was a cool guy and had some good things to say. I particularly loved the actual theological debates that are presented here (being a former theology student and a gay Christian it was right up my street) and I must admit I've spent the last two hours researching and reading articles on the word Arsenokoitai as a result. As a whole the story was a fantastic read and really gives you much to think about whether you believe in God or not and honestly Mr Goode I got more out of this short story than you'll ever know. I just hope that any Christians out there who condemn gay people based on what they think the Bible says will read this because ultimately it tells of the truth that God is love and God loves ALL of us whoever we are no matter what. 5) A Lost Chapter from End of the Innocence Confronted by prejudice and looking for a way to fight those using religion against his friend Kyle Stilleno goes to a local church in search of understanding. I went along with all of this until I was old enough to realize what was going on and that I was basically being brainwashed by my family and fed some beliefs which were in no way my own. I guess what I'm trying to say is that because of personal reasons I do not like the subject religion/God since it makes me angry and triggers a lot of not-so-great memories.]I also wish people who supposedly had faith in God and read the Bible would open their eyes a little more and understand that being gay is not a sin that gay people have just as much of a right to go to heaven as straight people do. 5) Now I know I was six but even then I knew the world worked on a sense of logic that didn't include magical fat guys who seemed to not understand what invasion of privacy meant. I found a verse that saved me sanity Romans 8:39 neither height nor depth nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. After that he moved to Forks Washington where against all odds dated the hot incredibly approachable werewolf instead of the stuck up jerk of a vampire but was crushed when he found out the werewolf was actually gayer than he was. After that he turned down the mandatory operation everyone must receive at 16 to become pretty citing that everyone pretty were just too stupid to live before moving away for greener pastures:5) I can't tell you how blessed I feel that John Goode has allowed us to read this chapter that was missing from End of the Innocence, I think it actually works brilliantly as a stand-alone short story and can see why it wasn't included in End of the Innocence. (Although if you haven't read End of the Innocence then why not? What's wrong with you? Go and read it immediately, By 18 he had found the land in the back of his wardrobe but decided that thinly veiled religious allegories were not the neighbors he desired. When last seen he had become obsessed with growing a pair of wings after becoming obsessed with Fang's blog and hasn't been seen since, Or he is this guy who lives in this place and writes stuff he hopes you read, I've read this at the beginning of my vacay offline so it's difficult for me to write a proper review now, The thing that I loved about this little story summed up in one quote: The bible contains the word of God but the book itself is not the word of God. 5) ***** 5 He loves you stars *****A Lost Chapter from End of the Innocence: Kyle Stilleno goes to a local church in search of understanding: Why does God hate gay people?Father Mulligan

didn't even hesitate, Next question? Almost 800000 words and it all could have been said in three: 5) If you want to read what God is all about you need to read this book: Religion is what people make out of the bible or any other scripture: I think it was really refreshing to read this kind of positive view on God in a gay romance because very often God and religion are depicted as very bad: And I believe there is good reason to show it like this but it was really good to hear again that there is a difference between the two, --I feel like I have to share some personal things as well: No the small group of Christians that go to church every Sunday volunteer in the church and actually believes what the bible says and tries to live a life like Jesus: But let me tell you my family and the church I went to was all about how God is love and how we should love and serve each other, It was about God wanting to have a real breathing relationship with each and everyone of us: There are several problems with that but not what is important here. So I pretty much learned and lived what John Goode tells in this little story about God versus religion, Though some were probably wary and coming out in a church is not really heard of, So although I was a Christian I never hated gay people and I found it utterly wrong if people did that: It was not a daily topic I didn't know any LGTBI people, If you ask me it would have been the church's task to stand up for the LGTBI community but they failed, And I am deeply sorry for spending 30 years of my life in ignorance. You might have noticed me speaking in the past not the present, Moved on from the faith and belief that I had known and lived for so long. Moved on to a place I am not entirely sure about all I know is I can't go back: And all this had nothing to do with what I told you above so I will keep it to myself: You can ask me if you want to know more and I might tell you but not here, 5 stars

This is a 'lost chapter' of the Foster High series set before that turning point event of the last book End of the Innocence. It is a short one basically it is about Kyle's conversation with a priest about interpretation of the Bible regarding gay people: Considering the theme it might sound preachy for some -- and myself as a Muslim I don't know the words of the Bible very well for this to make an impact: Having said that this has a GREAT message about God's love and acceptance and forgiveness, and THAT should be an universal message regardless of your religion (or faith): It addresses the issues of how being gay or different does not exclude you from God's love: The story itself was very well written not that I would have expected anything less and John has his usual brilliant humour in there the Thorn Birds reference was genius: His inquiry leads him to surprising conclusions and forces him to reexamine his own beliefs, In this lost chapter from End of the Innocence the enemy may not be where Kyle expects to find it, 5)

This little chapter belongs to End of the Innocence as it is an extra scene that fits the story there. For me it really hit home and it was refreshing to see God portrayed like this drawing the line between religion and God, Because a lot of people see what they want to see in that book [Bible]. It's why it is still followed thousands of years later because it can be interpreted literally thousands of different ways: There are more than a few different branches of religion out there just based on disagreeing with what it means. I grew up in a so-called Christian family--I use that term loosely because what went on behind closed doors was another story altogether. So we dressed up nicely went to church every Sunday and were taught to lead a life as close to the one Jesus lead as we could: The Bible was sacred and everything in that book was a fact which you were not supposed to question: I then stopped being a good little soldier didn't go to church anymore didn't want to hear about religion and much less God, But this story this is exactly what God should be about what I wish he would have been to me when I was younger--love: it doesn't make a difference it's love! So why is that such a deadly sin? Why does God hate gay people? Father Mulligan didn't even hesitate: 5) A nice little aside that continues to add perspective to old arguments and justifications that are just antiquated and self serving. And if you followed that chain of logic forward you would be forced to conclude that with no Santa all presents come from a less magical source: Like from old men who threaten little kids with taking away their hard-earned presents: But of course I wasn't absolutely sure which meant information gathering. "How does he know who's naughty or nice?" I asked my grandfather in what had to be my first debate, --- You look through it find what you need and then give it to someone else, People today seem to think the Bible is something they can use to say that some people are good and some aren't:

Most hide behind it to defend their own hatred by saying the Bible told them to. I can assure you Kyle there is no hatred in that book nor in God's heart. " Different than what I was expecting but in a good way. I admit a little I had my guard up wondering what Kyle would find in the church , The bible contains the word of God but the book itself is not the word of God, This was just a powerful and beautiful short story with an important message and I feel honored to have had the chance to read it :). Even more proud of Kyle for wanting to help out a friend: As usual at a loss for words when it comes to this man's work, can't recommend it highly enough *waves* Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4: 5) Wow Wow Wow I was actually tearing up with this short story. To read what I strongly believe the Bible is all about is liberating.... "People today seem to think the Bible is something they can use to say that some people are good and some aren't. Most hide behind it to defend their own hatred by saying the Bible told them so, I can assure you Kyle there is no hatred in that book nor in God's heart: "For me you can sum it up to: "God is about love and he is about forgiveness'" He is our father not our jailer". my other reviews of the series Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4, 5) Wow this is about the best and most concise explanation of what the bible says about homosexuality that I have ever read. John Goode is one of the best and my most favorite authors, The reason I am blown away by this is I grew up a PK: I had all of the same questions yet none of the answers growing up and all of the vitriol hellfire and brimstone, I clung to this verse and for whatever reason all the crap thrown at me just rolled off my back. As an adult research helped it explain it all and I've been able to reconcile my religion and my sexuality just fine: Every kid who's religion is beating them up about being gay should read this! Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. 5)



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4.5 stars OK. Big difference. I don't see it. To be honest a lot of people don't. It is actually a language problem. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. He doesn't. (.) He loves you. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. It makes a clear distinction between God and religion. God is love and he loves you. I grew up in a Christian family in Germany. If that creeps you out I understand. How God is good and wants the best for us. And I am thankful that my people were no haters. It's not that they preach homosexuality is ok. My misdeed wasn't hating my misdeed was not caring enough. It just didn't concern me. I lived in a Christian ghetto. I failed. I would never have thought it possible but I moved on. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4.5) 3. Dear God (Tales from Foster High the Bible and God. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. Now here's why it

affected me on a personal level. Look Kyle God is about love and he is about forgiveness. He is our father not our jailer. [. Ultimately isn't it just love? Straight gay bi etc. He doesn't. Next question?^ It's that simple. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. This was equally enlightening and empowering. Dear God (Tales from Foster High #4. He leaned in and gave me an all-knowing smile. "God tells him." So began my adversarial relationship with God. That's what faith is all about. If you take nothing else away from this take that." I stood up amazed. "If I came in here again to like just talk..." "You're welcome in my house anytime Kyle." He pointed up at Jesus on the the wall. "His too I wager. I want to give that priest a hug. Big difference. I don't see it. To be honest a lot of people don't. It is actually a language problem. This gives you something to think about certainly. I am going to recommend this to soooooo many people. Just wow. That's pastors kid in evangelical speak