Book Report Conversations with Saint Bernard by Jim Kraus

Adventure and insight unfolds in this story of an exciting journey into the soul of an old guy on a cross-country RV trip with a most unusual St. Bernard as they share diverse experience and make unusual friends.

George Gibson is a retired engineer grieving the loss of his wife. He plans a long journey in a small RV to explore and illustrate varied architectural/engineering achievements.

Alex Burden is a very ill boy recovering because of the unique attention of his Saint Bernard, Lewis. Lewis senses Alex's needs and responds with uncanny behavior. Then Alex becomes allergic to dog hair. Only medical procedures, lasting a year without Lewis, will cure his allergy.

George's only daughter comes to the rescue negotiating a loan of Lewis for George's traveling companion – a Heaven-sent redemptive mismatch.

Shy reserved George and friendly communicative Lewis attract troubled people and solve unusual situations in travel ventures.

But, in the end, only Lewis's devotion to the *truth* can save George from himself as he confronts a deep dark secret.

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