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Anna Marie says

Wow. That was a stinker.

First, we have Annie, a recovering alcoholic the emotional equivalence of an 11-year old. She repeatedly calls herself 'Super Annie', but she can't do anything. She can't cook, can't keep a job, can't drive a stick, can't make sound decisions... 'can't' is her middle name. Except she COULD fall off the wagon and have drunk sex with a soldier and get knocked up, as a result of losing her job.

Then we have Shane, who is pretty much a 40-year old woman in a 20-something guy's body. No dude would invite a girl to a 'small wedding affair', hello. He spouted matronly advice the WHOLE book, expounding on the 'value of good prenatal care' and other such ridiculous crap. Oh, and he can eat an entire hamburger in two bites. ((?!)

The plot of the story is that the girl wants to turn her life around and have the baby. God is pretty much the crutch-like substitution for her alcohol and nothing more, in this book... which is deplorable, but I guess a lot of people live that way. It's just not usually how it works in a 'Love, Inspired' book, because that is not an inspirational faith thing. Anyhow, she tells the father about the baby, but he's going overseas with the military in a few months, so he only has a short time to convince Super Annie that he wants her to burn his food, smoke his clutch, and be co-dependent on him forever... from afar. R'something. If she fell off the wagon for losing a job, what does he think this paragon is going to do when he waves adios and goes to Germany?!

As if that weren't enough, Shane 'doesn't have faith', but halfway thru the book, he's all preaching entire sermons on Peter walking on the water with Messiah... say WHAT?! Yeah, *ALL* non-believers do that crap. WHaT.eVeR.

Then, because the book is already doing so well, the author throws in birth complications, and a surgery that has previously been unsuccessful works (praise the AA god) on Annie, although Shane has to sell his pride-and-joy car to fund portions of the procedure. Of course our 40-year old matronly soldier stalwartly declares, "What does a man need with fortune someday when he has a pearl of great price sitting beside him?". Cuz... ALL the guys I know talk like that, constantly, y'know? It was just over-the-top platitudes, completely unbelievable.

BADLY written book. It wasn't just the plot, or the characters, even though both of them were... well... um. But the author's tone and ability to put together a realistic and enjoyable read? Not so much happening, here. It's good it was a quick read.

Marissa says

I loved this book so much.... I would read it again and again.

Turkey says

Did not notice it was inspired series. Way to preachy for my personal taste

Janel says

Another Amazon Kindle deal. I really need to be more selective on these.

The story was completely unbelievable and the characters weren't developed well. I'm married to a military man, and I know enough of them to say they aren't like Shane - at least not the ones I've met. Perhaps that jaded me against the book a little.

joyce lynn says

another light quick easy read after many twisted thrillers.

i like that the characters in this one were more "real" than in most

i also like the added questions/answers section so that you could almost use this book as a personal Bible Study on building character traits

Karen says

Shane Ross celebrated the announcement of a friends wedding with a poor choice. Annie Delmar was hitting bottom again after losing her job. Can the mistakes they made that night take them to a new place together?

Kc says

When I first picked up the book I was kind of confused, but my confusion caused me to read on. When I walked away from the book i felt like a better person, and I felt emotionally changed.

Crystal says

I really liked this story. One thing that stood out to me was the fact that it deals with really touchy topics. Annie Delmar is a recovering alcoholic. Corporal Shane Ross never really had a family. When a poor choice and one night stand leads to a pregnancy, both have a lot of issues to face.

If you think edgy topics aren't addressed in the "sweet" romances of the Love Inspired line, then you are wrong. Start with this one.

Penelope Naomi says

The information about the Color Guard was interesting.. but the book did not live up to my expectations. Oh well..

Michele says

Quick read...finished it in one day.

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Barbara says

This book revolves around what I felt was a very interesting premise for a romance: a recovering alcoholic, Annie Delmar, binges and has a one-night stand with Corporal Shane Ross and ends up pregnant. He asks to be allowed into the baby's life, and she reluctantly agrees. How they navigate the rough terrain they're in (Annie's still recovering and estranged from her parents; her friend is relapsing) is what drives the story. It helps that Annie and Shane are realistically drawn and the reader is rooting for them throughout the story.

Veronica says

I didn't think that I was going to like this book but it didn't play out the way I thought it would and I did. ;)

Kate says

I enjoyed this book about 2 people who are trying to make the best out of a difficult situation. I think both Shane and Annie were strong people . . . stronger than they realised (though each thought the other was very strong!) I also liked how Patricia Davids used her experience as a NICU nurse in writing the 'medical scenes' in the book. That gave it an authenticity a lot of books in this genre lack.

Arlene says

A good book to read and a sweet romance.

Alysha says

best book in the world i read a year ago and still know it off by heart
