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A Christian Home and School 1990 Top Ten Book!

For Barry Smedlowe, Centerville would never be the same. Sloan Favor stole his clubhouse, then stole his party and finally stole his club members themselves. Everything was falling to pieces. After the Halloween War, even the whole country seemed in turmoil. And the attempts of the ORDER Party to get the nation under control looked suspicious. Were they trying to fix the elections? Why did they put all the people with Spirit Flyers bicycles in jail?

With the holidays drawing near and problems getting bigger and more complicated, Barry felt all alone. He could hardly imagine that what seemed like the last Christmas would actually become his first.

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Heidi says

I read this as a kid - made a huge impression on me. So big, that I finally tried looking it up again. The library didn't carry it. And wow. Still an awesome series. The first book is the hardest for me - glowing red eyes, black snake funnel clouds - scary stuff. But if ever there were a series that did a good job explaining good and bad - the insidious tendrils of evil and the overwhelming unconditional love of God, this is it. Each book in the series is fabulous. My eight year old is not ready for this yet, but I will read it to her when she is ready. I've seen bad reviews - yes, if you are a person who dislikes fantasy, magic and scary stuff, this is not a series for you. But John Bibee did a fabulous job with the Spirit Flyer Series - my kids will definitely go through the whole group with me some day.

SouthWestZippy says

Good young adult book.

Colleen says

Just finished reading this right before Christmas... I love how the book shows us the struggle within a young boy's soul. And how the Kingson shows the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. If I could meet John Bibee, I would tell him I want to help get his books out to children and families who haven't read them.

Arwen says

I am still scratching my head about these Spirit Flyer books. They are seriously the strangest, most mind bending things I've ever read. Madeleine L'Engle meets P.K. Dick meets Frank Peretti is the closest I can come to describing how to characterize these books.

The books are based on an allegory using Spirit Flyers (mostly old red bicycles) as the symbol of a life changed when you give your life to the service of the King and the Kingson (God and Jesus.) Each story has a different protagonist and antagonist, although the characters are intertwined and the stories make one solid arch, and the main behind the scenes "boss" villain is the same. It centers around the "boss" villain owing an evil toy company, Goliath Toys, that makes products that are literally meant to enslave children, and in the process he is part of a world-wide conspiracy for a one world government.

The basic idea is that the Spirit Flyers=Christians and Cobras/Goliath Toys=Satan's Forces. There is a war waging for the souls of men that most people aren't aware of, and the war is spilling over into the real world. The crazy thing is that these books have the best and most convincing setup for America becoming a dystopia I've ever read. (P.K. Dick is the best dystopic writer I know of, but his stories are usually after the crisis has created the dystopia, not during the crisis.)

If this has you intrigued, or are like me and already read the 3 authors I mentioned I'd say you should read it for yourself.
