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Happily Ever Summer: A Contemporary Cinderella Retelling (Happily Ever Series Book 1)



Synopsis

Catherine St. James is a librarian in the tourist town of Bandon, Oregon. She's poor by the world's standards, but she loves what she does and what she has is sufficient for her needs. She doesn't want glass slippers, a grand ball, or Prince Charming. What she needs is a miracle, and she doesn't know it yet, but she needs him. Last summer, Catherine fell in love with Samuel Merrick. She believed what they had together was beyond marriage, beyond death do us part. She thought it was the forever kind of love, and for eight perfect weeks, it was. Because of that, she made a mistake, one she can't take back, and wouldn't even if she could. Now she has her daughter and she loves her more than she ever thought possible. She also believes despite her mistake, God loves her and her child. Billionaire oil tycoon Samuel Merrick has no idea he has a daughter. Thirteen months ago, when he came to Bandon, he fell in love with Catherine almost instantly. And that was a real surprise. After his wife died, he didn't believe he would ever find love again. And when he realized what was happening, he knew he needed to make sure he was falling in love with Catherine for the right reasons. So he left. It was a mistake, a terrible one. He got scared, and didn't handle the situation as he should have. Now he wants to change that. He wants Catherine in his life. He wants to marry her, if she'll have him. He knows it's going to take work on his part and forgiveness on hers, but God willing, he believes they might be able to find their happily ever after.

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Customer Reviews

This was a good book about love and forgiveness. Sam and Catherine knew each other before the story began. Sam broke it off because of questions he had. He didn't know they had a little girl. He came back because he realized he really loved Catherine and found out he had a child. They both had hurts that they had to work through but they knew they truly loved each other. As soon as Sam met his little girl he fell in love with her. Catherine's mother and sisters were a real help to her being there for her and loving her. Sam finds out Catherine has cancer and is there to help her through it all. Their faith in God really came through and how they knew that God loved and forgave them. I only wished we would have heard more about Sam's family. They were only talked about once, I would have liked to see them involved also. It was a very good book and I couldn't put it down until I finished it.

This is the kind of love everyone hopes for. Catherine thought she had found it with Sam until he left without any warning. Sam thought he had found it till he got scared and ran away. But he didn't know that he had left her a wonderful little gift. Now like Prince Charming he has to find his Princess and woo her all over again. This is a very good Cinderella like story. I loved reading it. You get a warmth right down to your toes when love comes through. RaShelle Workman I believe you wrote another winner here. I loved it.

This book was a sweet love story, Sam came back because he loved her, I think he should have seen her baby and the time frame since he had been with her instead of thinking the baby was not his, but everything worked good in the end. A good short read didn't want to stop until I finished the book.

Catherine and Sam had a magical 8 weeks together before Sam just disappeared. 13 months later he makes contact again but will Catherine want to see him? And how does she tell him about their child ...An enjoyable short read. I would have loved it had it been a little longer but definitely a great read and one you can read in an evening

While I liked the premise I had trouble seeing this as a Cinderella story. I just felt like it was rushed, too much was left out, and things weren't explained or developed. However, cancer was discussed respectfully, as was premarital sex and parenthood. I enjoyed the characters and the settings were nicely developed. For a true Cinderella story I needed some evil personified. Overall a sweet clean romance, quick read, happy ending. It was different in a good way.

Please God forgive me but I don't want to read about you in my romance. Second, I don't like reading about cancer. I want romance this wasn't it. This was all about God and cancer. Spoilers God this, God that, God God God.....who keeps smacking me in the face every other page? God, cancer and forgiveness. What the h.e.l.l. I don't like reading Christian books because it feels like the Twitter is trying to shove God down my throat. I believe on God but I don't want him in my romance books. This was just too stupid to believe. So he screws her, tells her he loves her and then leaves without a goodbye. 13 months later, with not a single word, he sends a email. She is back with him in less than 24 hours, kissing him within minutes. Um, w.h.o.r.e? Not very godly, sex with a guy and she doesn't know his age, job, where he lives. If she knew his name, why did she never look him up to tell him he is a daddy. Google would of populated his picture with his name since he is a big millionaire oil guy. So that was so stupid didn't make any sense. But she has cancer, 15 percent chance to live. He comes, gets big bad doctor with his money, she lives. There is your story. How was this a Cinderella story? He humps and dumps her for no reason. Then comes back and his money saves her. I don't believe he loved her. I mean 13 months no word, come on. This more like "pretty women" with God as her b.f.f.

This is an amazing love story with a beautiful story of love faith and forgiveness that will having you loving every minute of it.

This was an Good Book. The ending was O K, but it could have been better. What happen in 2 are 3 Years

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