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Kingdom Come: The First Victory (Left Behind Sequel)



Synopsis

The horrors of the Tribulation are over, and Jesus Christ has set up his perfect kingdom on earth. Believers all around the world enjoy a newly perfected relationship with their Lord, and the earth itself is transformed. Yet evil still lurks in the hearts of the unbelieving. As the Millennium draws to a close, the final generation of the unrepentant prepares to mount a new offensive against the Lord Himself— sparking the final and ultimate conflict from which only one side will emerge the eternal victor.

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Customer Reviews

Not all is well in utopia. Though Jesus has established His thousand-year reign on earth, people are born every day who still must choose to make Him their Savior. And not all do. While those who choose not to trust Christ are accursed and die young, devotees of the Other Light (Lucifer) conspire to populate the end of the Millennial Kingdom with a massive army. When Satan is finally loosed to once again tempt the nations, he leads this force to the ultimate conflict of good versus evil, and the result ushers in the new heaven and the new earth. Reunite with all your favorite characters and see how they fare in this capstone final title of the Left Behind saga. --This text refers to the Audible Audio Edition edition.

Jerry B. Jenkins, former Vice President for Publishing and currently Writer-at-Large for the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, is the author of more than 150 books, including the best-selling Left

Behind series. Sixteen of his books have reached the New York Times best-seller list (seven in the number one spot) and have also appeared on the USA Today, Publisher's Weekly and Wall Street Journal best-seller lists. Tim LaHaye is an internationally known author, teacher, and expert on Bible prophecy. He is married to Beverly, who is the founder of the largest women's organization in America, Concerned Women for America. The LaHayes live in southern California. --This text refers to the Audible Audio Edition edition.

I have always found the book of Revelations to be a hard read, confusing, but the series really helped shed light on the end times. This second time around being more firmly set in my faith it just made me truly yearn for my everlasting home and to be with my father in heaven. This is one I would recommend to anyone who has questions about this time. Take advantage of the given scriptures throughout the story and look them up and study them to determine for yourself what is to come.

Even though I believe that the series as a whole misses key points. I believe that the writer goal to paint a picture of the timely shortly to be upon us does well. I believe it honors God and I do not doubt that although mainly a series of books by believer read by believer, I do not doubt that this has led some unsaved to Christ and inspired large number numbers of believers. On that basis I recommend thisbook.

Though it's not as exciting as the other books in the series, some parts are rather slow, but it's still quite enjoyable, kind of in a different way. Since the characters are never really in danger, some might consider it to be boring. But after all they've been through in the tribulation, I think it's nice that now they can finally relax and enjoy things. However I will admit that the second time I read it, it did start to seem boring at times, more than the other books. It gets rather interesting near the end, but these parts are unfortunately rather short. There were 2 main things that I was very disappointed about with this book- it's too short, and most characters from the earlier books in the series are never seen. Throughout the Series, many many characters are killed. I was always looking forward to this book, expecting that they would finally be seen again. But that's not the case. Only 4 of the characters who died are seen again, only one of which died early on. There were several other characters briefly seen at the end of the last book, but almost none this time. Many of the characters who survived the tribulation are never seen either, except for a brief list near the end.

This really was very disappointing. They also have a bit too many new characters, they should've used more of the previous ones. There's one notable character from the other books who doesn't have a major part in this story, but he is seen briefly which is something that they should've done with many other characters. The best way to sum it up is that it simply is not long enough. Most of it takes place less than 100 years into the 1,000 year kingdom. They should've made a few more books, perhaps one for every 300 years or so. I really wish they'd make a spin off series for this or something. One other thing I should point out is that, like all of the books in the Left Behind series (except for perhaps "The Rising"), this story is meant to portray real events that the Bible predicts will happen someday. This one is unique in that unlike any of the other books in the series (not counting the prequels), it's the only one that covers events that we who are Christians will experience, since we will not be here for the tribulation. Unfortunately I think we need to be very cautious about treating this as a "preview" of what we will experience. I have no doubt that of the hundreds of prophecies covered in the "Left Behind" series, some are covered quite well, while others are somewhat accurate, and some aren't accurate at all. Though there's no way to know for sure, but I really think that this one is probably the least accurate of all. This is partly because the Bible does not give very many details about the Millennial Kingdom, and some of the details that are given are a bit uncertain. There are some minor things in this book that I don't agree with, especially some conflicts that occur among those with glorified bodies. I may be wrong, but since they will be sinless, I don't believe they will have major disagreements. The book also seems to treat the fictional characters with glorified bodies a little bit differently than real people who are portrayed. The real people sometimes instantly disappear and go somewhere else. Based on what the Bible says I do believe this is something that we may be able to do, but it wouldn't be different from those in modern times versus those from Bible times. Of all the fictional characters in this book, about the only major difference it gives between those with natural bodies, and those with glorified bodies is that the glorified ones don't age. Though it could be better, overall it is basically a nice finish to the series. I wish they would make one like this for the "Left Behind Kids" series.

As a Christian I found hope in the entire "Left Behind" series which ended with Kingdom Come where Jesus is now reigning on earth - however, there are still those who will not choose Him and

He does not wish any to perish. This book is about that time and I found it fascinating as I never thought that far ahead as to what lays in wait for humans. I will have to do a thorough study of Revelations!! Wonderfully written as all of Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins books are. I never can put them down and want to keep reading until the end.

I have enjoyed this series for the most part, but there is little mentioned in the Bible about this period. I found it odd that Jesus Christ was only mainly mentioned at the beginning of the book. Plus besides His light, there is still a sun and moon but no darkness except toward the end when Rayford was captured and held prisoner in a cave. I have understood there is nowhere that Jesus light doesn't reach. And some of the names are ridiculous. All of the action takes place in the first 100 years or so. But it does give you something to think about.

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