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Caleb Mitchell is a human weapon, engineered into a biologically enhanced killing machine in the war with the alien Tahni. The war is long over and now he just wants to live a normal life as a constable on his homeworld of Canaan...but his life is torn apart when a Corporate Council mineral scout comes to him with a tale of discovering incredibly advanced alien technology from the fabled race known only as the Predecessors. Someone in the monolithic, power-hungry Corporate Council doesn't want that story to get out...and they'll kill anyone to stop it, including Caleb and his family.

Birthright Details

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Nathan says

Certainly an improvement on his debut. Characters are introduced in a much more natural way, and the action flows well without getting bogged down. But I still don't understand Partlow's obsession with having his chiseled male leads sleep with multiple hot women per book - one of which they're clearly committed to, the other of which they are clearly not - and blithely decide that it's ok and there are no consequences by the end of the book, let's just move on. He's done this frequently enough, and specifically enough, that one has to start wondering about the author's own personal life. Heinlein could (usually) get away with defying sexual mores in his works; but Partlow is no Heinlein.

Ray Carter says

Way to go Partlow

Rick Partlow's continuing journey with the "Glory Boys" is exceptionally well written, and continues the story logically. I highly recommend this series of you like military science fiction.

irvin r russell says

Well worth the read.

You keep on the edge and keeps you wondering what is going on , you might think you know what will happen next but you will be wrong.

Eclectic Reader says

Engaging...

Waned to keep reading but it felt like the fight descriptions were the whole story. I wanted to finish because the setting an characters were still engaging.

Melinda says

Kick Butt Military SciFi

Conspiracies, alien progenitors, fixed elections, assassinations, secret underground laboratories, Imperial cyborgs, commando raids, space battles, orbital explosions - what's a former Spec Ops guy supposed to do when it all comes crashing in his lap? He is Caleb, Constable of Caanan - a basically agrarian planet before

the Corporate Commonwealth moved in and screwed everything up. He's a nice guy with a wonderful wife, but the rich bad pretty dudes (RBPd) crossed the line when they started messing with his family. Now, Caleb is out for blood!

Caleb hooks up with his buddies from the war, as he tries to evade the rich, bad pretty dudes, and all hell breaks loose. Caleb and his warrior pals are being hunted because they know too much, while leaving leaving a swath of destruction a mile wide in their wake. Where will it end?

Will the rich bad pretty dudes get a blemish? Oh no!
Will everyone be sucked into a black hole? Probably not...
But there will be amazing battle scenes with many weapons? Yes...
Lots of scheming, sneaking and strategizing by the RBPd? You bet!
The Battle Royale will kick butt? And take names too, it's that good.
It's more fun than plasma rifle in a scrapyard.
Just read the book and find out.

Highly Recommended!

David P. Duffy says

"Wolverine" Wannabe Allies With Alien "Terminator"

"Birthright," part of Mr. Rick Partlow's "Glory Boys" series, takes a souped up, "Wolverine" wannabe, allies him with an alien "Terminator," and a amateurish conspiracy war ensues. The writing is simply not very good, the plotting and plot devices are repetitive, contrived, and often ludicrous, and overall reading was a chore, not entertaining.

This reviewer read "Birthright," following reading of the author's recently published "Recon" series. The twisting and abject reworking of the genesis concept of "Recon," from "Birthright," clearly shows the author's low level writing skill set.

This book is not recommended and was fully read via Kindle Unlimited.

Ricky Kimsey says

Alien Technology

The hero of this novel is a veteran of an interstellar war on a search for technology from a long dead alien race. Be warned this is the first volume of a series.

Rob says

Good adventure

John T. Dueker says**Decent story but I have trouble with some of his hard science**

Literary devices. For example his look could have frozen mercury... Well the melting point of mercury is - 37°F, which is cold but not all that cold. Hydrogen might have been a better choice. Then there are lasers that put out kilojoules of energy. 10,000 joules is only 0.003 kwh, not a lot. The present day laser of record is the MIRACL laser which puts out several megawatts for 70 seconds which can knock down a middle is about 16 kilowatt hours of energy. I haven't done the math but I don't think his laser would hurt you.

Keith says

Very good yarn

Josh Albert says

Fun read. Kind of gets a little corny with the weapons and battle scenes, but good characters. Nothing new, but not bad for a free book

Andrew says

This is a well written, entertaining story, with characters the reader can get behind and cheer for. The worlds created also lend to the story and keep the reader wanting more. Though, some of the enhancements/body augments people in this fictional future receive somewhat creep me out, they also lend a, "what will they reveal to us next?" mystique. Looking forward to the next one.

Jim says

This is the second book I've read by Rick Partlow and I like his writing. The first book was "Duty, Honor, Planet" and it was an excellent read although a little liberal with the young characters.

In this book, the characters are well described and appear very capable of doing what is described. The author gets pretty technical in describing everything from the bionic implants in certain individuals to describing the star drive and how it works. He also likes his weapons, describing a number of them in great detail usually while they are in use.

I like the story line and if you like good old detective stories, this will fit right in. The only difference with this and a Sam Spade story is that this takes place way in the future and has people flying around to different planets. I like that kind of stuff. Some you can relate to and some you cannot. The story flows pretty rapidly

with some kind of action on every page. While I hated to stop reading for a night, there were places that felt right to just stop and continue on the next day.

I hope there are more books with the same characters. The story leaves it open to that happening although there is nothing in this Kindle version that would lead me to believe that a sequel is forthcoming. Too bad.

I need to find more books by this author. If you read the two I've mentioned, you won't be disappointed.

Jennifer says

A good story, liked all the different points of view. For an adventure tale, pretty decent.

MC Allen says

Mr. Partlow has another winning series!

Set further in the future with human augmentation running wild, a former special operations soldier stumbles into a dangerous web. Bravo to Mr. Partlow for creating another series as powerful as his first.
