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For twenty-year-old Melody Morgan, Christmas is nothing but a source of shame and embarrassment – just like all the other holidays in her life. She has grown up hating special days – and Christmas is the worst of all.

Then Matthew Trevor walks into her life one November afternoon and turns her world upside down. For Matthew, it's love at first sight. But how can this handsome, upbeat returned missionary possibly know about the dark, desperate side of Melody's life – and once he finds out, will he still love her?

This is not just a Christmas story. It's a touching novel of discovery, renewal, and commitment to eternal principles of love and faith. What Melody learns about Christmas – and about herself – is the greatest gift of all. You'll be charmed and moved by this sweet and satisfying adventure of the heart. And along the way, you'll gain a new appreciation for the spirit and wonder of Christmas.

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Marilyn says

This is the story of a young girl who came from a totally dysfunctional family. She thought she hated Christmas, because her family never celebrated it, and she always felt left out at Christmas time. She met her prince charming and through his loving ways, and the influence of his family, she grew to love Christmas, as well as to love him.

Tracy says

Despite their abusive backgrounds, the couple is able to rely on their love and their spirituality to connect to each other and to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Lacy says

I've read this book over and over again.

I first read it when I was 16 and I liked to read it every Christmas. I remember really liking the moral of the story. Is it great writing? I can't really tell you that. It's one of those books I'm just emotionally connected to.

I like:

- the idea of angels being warriors
- that she works at block busters
- rising above her dysfunctional family
- cheesy family Christmases

Annica says

This is one of my favorite books written by Anita Stansfield. I love all her books, but this one was just a little sweeter to me. It is about a young LDS girl who grew up in a dysfunctional family, and is trying to ride above it. She meets a boy, named Matthew, who treats her like a princess. This book is the story of Matthew and Melody. It is really cute!

Rayni says

A fairy-tale romance. She dedicates this book to "anyone who has ever hated Christmas." It is fairly convincing. Though I still don't "love" Christmas, I don't hate it either. As the book teaches (or preaches), change comes from within. Although there was supposedly abuse in the past, it all appears happiness & light. As I said, a fairy-tale.

Erin says

This is the 4th book in the Trevor Family Saga. This is about their daughter. It deals with falling in love, and overcoming your past to make a better future. I was surprised to see issues discussed in this book that generally don't appear in LDS-related literature, issues like child abuse, drugs, and teen pregnancy. It gave the book a refreshing twist, and you wanted to see Melody succeed in overcoming her past. It was better than the first 3 books.

Emily says

I really liked this one. It gave a good perspective on family dynamics. I'm not going to pretend and say that I know every family functions 100%. Those families that do, more power to ya. The truth is: all families struggle with something, that is why they are constantly changing and becoming stronger. It is a never ending cycle. Anyway, I thought that this book gave a few good reminders of how the atonement and the love of our Savior can really heal broken hearts and can touch the lives of those in need. Throwing a little dose of romance in doesn't hurt either! Overall, a very good read!

Tara says

I read this book every year during the Christmas season. I admit it is quite cheesy but it is okay once in a while. Past the cheesiness, I like it for multiple reasons. First, the man in this book is named Matthew Trevor and honestly I picture his physical traits like the actor Matthew McConaughey even though the author says differently. Also, Matthew is my first fictional crush/love and Christmas wouldn't be the same without him. :) Secondly, It also has a great story and reminds me of how good I had it growing up with parents who gave me wonderful Christmases each year. I also really like the love of angels the author shares. With this perspective, each year I appreciate every tradition we hold and each of the five senses I am blessed with day to day.

Kendra Miller says

This was a cute book but I wouldn't read it again. It was sappy and really cheesy. Some people like that but not me. Although the ending was good so it brought my rating up a star!

Amanda says

This was a nice easy read and perfect for Christmas. It is about Melody, who rises above her childhood to make a life for herself, and meets the man of her dreams. A nice, easy, fun, romantic Christmas story. Stansfield is LDS, so I like reading her books because I know that there isn't going to be anything questionable in them.

Melissa says

Ugh,

I know you "get what you pay for" with LDS fiction. I like christmas, but this book was predictable. I think the thing that irked me the most was the false doctrine. One does NOT need to perform temple work for a dead infant. Just like one does not need to have baptisms and other ordinations done for infants. When things are printed for the world to see, facts need to be straight!

Summer Van Wagoner says

Picked this up at DI. There's a reason it was sitting there practically new and marked on sale for \$1. I'm having trouble getting past the second chapter. This author can't have interacted in real life with an actual man. There isn't a man on earth who would feel "spiritually prompted" to go after a cranky, rude, sarcastic female stranger and act like his world will end if that woman never talks to him again, and then pine over her after she slams her door in his face. Not a sane man with any self-respect, anyway. I can't even read the rest of the book- the premise and characters are just too unbelievable and unlikable, and I really don't care what happens to them.

The Sweet Bookshelf says

This book was so much more than I'd hoped. I loved it! What a Christmas story! There was plenty of fun, adventure, intrigue, mystery, and love. Yes, ALL of those! It was such a pleasant surprise!! I really enjoyed it and the time period. I kind of felt like I was reading some Austen, with a twist.

Loved the characters. Marian and Gil were my favorite, of course. They have so much fun! Marian and her brother Alistair get themselves into so much trouble time and again. It never ceased to amaze me.

I also love it when the characters are friends first before they fall in love. Isn't that how it really happens?! I think it adds something special. I stayed up into the night to finish reading this book. I really enjoyed it. It has all the elements of a perfect Christmas story! I know you'll enjoy it!

Susan says

Obviously a Christmas story but deals with forgiveness, healing, abuse etc.

Melody doesn't celebrate Christmas because it has no good memories. She is trying to deal with a dysfunctional family, and still keep herself together. Her last try to help her sister ended in putting Melody in court requiring her to pay for damage done to an apartment by her sister. Romance as always by Stansfield.

Karen says

Cute story. Still don't love her writing. Too sappy. Too "perfect". Too many emotional relapses of the same

issues over and over again. Too many happy conclusions. If only all of our lives and the people that come into them were as perfect as those in her books....

BUT, always a good message, still made me emotional, and it was a quick read.
