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## **A Promise for Spring Details**

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## Magda says

I was ready to slap her. Too whiny, too close to home.

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## gabriela says

Daca ai o duminica ploioasa si nimic de facut...daca te-ai saturat de lecturi "grele", atunci poti incerca aceasta carte.

Nimic surprinzator, ba mai mult: foarte previzibil.

Dar cateodata este placut sa stii ca totul se termina cu bine. Fara sfasieri interioare, fara pierderi ireparabile.

De fapt asta e promisiunea romanului. Mission accomplished!

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## Kate says

I liked this book, though for the first half of it, I wanted to sit both main characters down and give them a good talking-to! Such stubbornness! That said, when they each learned to truly put their trust in God, they began to redeem themselves in my eyes, but oh! The goings-on before then!

It occurs to me that the first paragraph of this review was written as if I were Miss Tildy. I'm going to leave it as such, because, if I'm perfectly honest, she was my favourite character in the book. I think everyone needs such a good, honest, friend who will point them right back to God, every time!

3.5 stars

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## Mayda says

The year is 1874, and Emmaline is fraveling to America to be wed to her promised beau. But 5 long years has passed since they were together, and they are strangers to each other, at least in Emmaline's eyes. Yes, you can pretty much see how this will end from the beginning. And if the pleasure is in the journey, not the end, then this journey went on too long. There are some interesting aspects to the story, but by far, the best is the character of Tildy, especially in this audio version. Barbara Caruso does an excellent job of portraying the characters, and her portrayal of Tildy is exceptional. But the plot itself is thin, the characters mostly stereotypical, and the story just plods along.

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## Holly says

I liked it alright, but it was frustrating too. The whole book was filled with their stupid miscommunications all because they would never speak to each other they'd be so mad or so sad or so in love that "the words wouldn't come" so they wouldn't make up. Made me mad. So I only had about half a chapter of resolve and relief. She could've stopped being stupid sooner if you ask me.

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## **Crystal says**

Awesome book. This reminded me in so many ways of Love Comes Softly series by Janette Oke. Emmaline arrives from England at her father's insistence to Kansas where she is to wed Geoffrey Garrett who went away to America to start a life of his own. Only, the saying that the absence makes the heart grow fonder doesn't apply here. She has not heard from Geoffrey since he left only tidbits through her domineering father that he wants her to know. Emmaline gets a case of cold feet when they are to wed and a margin is made. She will stay on his ranch until the spring. Then, if she still doesn't want to wed, he will send her back to England.

Emmaline grows frustrated at his bossiness and tries to run away. Will she find the God of her childhood and restore her faith so that she can wade the troubled waters of newlywed marriage. Or will it be just too hard to stand? An awesome book by Sawyer.

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## **Maam says**

The story was okay but predictable and a little bit preachy at the end. Typical formula Christian novel. The accents on the CD drove me nuts...didn't sound at all English.

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## **Tracey Steeves says**

This is the third book I've read by this author. Absolutely loved the first 2 but really didn't enjoy this one. I found the heroine completely unlikable until about 3/4 of the way through. The secondary characters were the highlight for me.

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## **Darlene Wilson says**

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## **Linda says**

I read this book in one day while traveling from TN to NJ by car. Once I started, it was hard to put down. I enjoy good Christian fiction and though I have only read one other book by this author, just before I read this one, I will definitely read more of Kim Vogel Sawyer's books.

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**Amanda says**

This is as close to a perfect book as I've read. I highly recommend it.

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**Bridget R. Wilson says**

Yeah...this one made me cry. I can't resist a book that makes me cry.

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**Hannah says**

I truly enjoyed this prairie tale by Kim Vogel Sawyer! Now, the characters did need to have a Gibbs-slap to the back of their heads more than once, and were plagued with the big problem of *just talk to each other already!* but the vivid side characters of Tildy and her husband and the excellent period writing and descriptions made up for it. 3.5 stars.

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**Jessica says**

Finished by listening to audio. Don't think I would have gotten through it otherwise. Tells a good story and tries to throw in hardships and trials to offset the ridiculous good fortune that is seen by the end, but still very unrealistic.

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**Angela says**

I would probably give this book 2 and a half stars if I could. my least favorite of all Sawyer's books so far. I found the hero and heroine very difficult to like. Emmaline was childish, whiney, selfish...I didn't feel sorry for her at all. Geoffrey started out good; faithful, loving but somewhere, I don't even know where/why he became this awful guy, angry all the time, yelling. I'm not sure what happened.

I also don't know when they fell in love. the first conversation they had without yelling or Emmaline stomping from the room is halfway through the book. Then suddenly she loves him. Of course he has decided by then to ignore her. The plot was predictable to a fault. After 5 yrs of a profitable farm everything bad happens in one season. Then after praying things turn around. I know it makes for a good moral story (trust God in the hard times) but it doesn't ring true to life. I would say read Sawyer's other books.

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