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Staff Sergeant Camilo Mejia became the new face of the antiwar movement in early 2004 when he applied for a discharge from the Army as a conscientious objector. Here, he tells his own story, from his upbringing in Central America and his experience as a working-class immigrant in the United States, to his service in Iraq and as a prisoner guard.

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Dpruess says

This is an excellent book, which will give you valuable insight into what happened in the latest American invasion of Iraq.

Sura ✨ says

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Desera Favors says

Great book! I would have given it a five-star rating but I am not ultimately against war as a tactic I'm just against the U.S. war tactics. Also this man would be a hero if he was using his power to fight against the White-power structure but he is just a resistor. I believe that he took the right stance I would have preferred if he had listened to his mother and carried the torch that she handed him! He could have been so much more but he was brain washed just like the rest of us in the AmeriKKKan backwards way at no fault of his own. This book is a start on the deprogramming of the common every day male of color. He used his brain and his heart to resist and freed himself from mental bondage. I believe this is a very good book to use to discuss the newly elected Presidents role in U.S. International Policy!

Jose says

Mejia was in the same unit as I was, he explains the war from his point of view. I don't agree with his rationalization for deserting, but I am glad he wrote a book. It's funny how the same event affects different people in such distinct ways.

Amyem says

in library

Nick says

As a proponent of nonviolence and nonviolent activist against the Iraq war, I was intrigued by Camilo Mejia, a sergeant who became the first active-duty soldier to speak out against the war. I heard him speak shortly before this book was published, and was moved by his honesty. His book is brutally honest about his own weakness, his complicity in abusing prisoners of war, shooting at civilians and failing to resist before he was sent to Iraq. Mejia is a politically aware and well educated representative of the people who make up most of our fighting force in Iraq and elsewhere; he is a member of a minority, poor and a resident alien. His testimony is important for who he is as well as for what he experienced and did. This is a very important and very readable book.

Jenika says

This personal, first account experience touched me in a way that I felt I was actually there and feeling Camilo's frustrations, doubts and growing acceptance of a path he knew he must take. When I met Camilo Mejia at the PDX Peace forum in Portland, he impressed me with his quiet, thoughtful and intense countenance. His book is an inspiration to us all to search for our limits and bravely express and live the truths that we find therein.

Steve says

Haven't got to it yet but I've wanted to read it ever since I met the author. A man of conscience indeed. See <http://nortspews.blogspot.com/2008/01...>

Jen says

Written by conscientious objector & Iraq War II Veteran, Camillo Mejia who was the first soldier tried for

"desertion" after service in combat. Fascinating story of why he joined the military and how he came to realize that the war was immoral and based on lies. Camillo's description of combat, his relationships with fellow soldiers he served with and those who helped him after he decided to become a conscientious objector are all compelling. This book gave me a much greater understanding of the whole complex process of what it takes to become a conscientious objector.

Meg says

low 3, somewhat interest but mostly boring

Abdullah Saad says

Tracy says

A great book I recommend. It gets a little long in some parts, but overall it is a good read. There are a couple of things I don't agree with, but it is nice to hear a former army reservist speak out against the bullshit in Iraq.

Fexs says

Este libro nos brinda una historia que además de real es impactante, nos brinda un punto de vista moral sobre la guerra que pocos conocemos. Me impresiono la potente sinceridad del autor al relatar los hechos como víctima, victimario y espectador en diferentes situaciones parecen sobrepasar lo real en un mundo lleno de injusticias, de la misma manera nos demuestra el gran poder de cambio y renovación como individuo y el gran potencial de las personas unidas en comunidad a favor de una causa justa.

Tiara says

maybe it's just me but this guy seems to come through w/ a sense of humor in spite of spending ten months in jail for "going AWOL"...anyone NOT interested in hearing another thing about the Iraq war should read this.

Amanda says

It is an incredible story of transformation, and a story of the struggle one has to make to take a stand. just an unbelievable story; disturbing at times, and well worth your time.

Jumah Al says

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Marie Choi says

Too depressing to finish

R.f.k says

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Mona says

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jomana adnan says