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On the day of her father's funeral, seventeen-year-old Jamie Steele discovers he was once the prime suspect in the disappearance and possible murder of an old girlfriend. Only the lack of evidence--mainly the missing woman's body--kept him from going to prison. All too familiar with his violent reputation and hard-fisted lifestyle, Jamie has to find out for herself if he was capable of the crime everyone in their small town believes he committed.

The more Jamie discovers about the twenty-five-year old disappearance of Sally Blake, the more convinced she becomes her father was involved. Regardless, she needs to know the truth, even if it means destroying what's left of her memories of him.

The first book in the Jenna's Creek Series is a mystery which takes hold of the reader at the outset and doesn't let go until the end. Told from a Christian worldview, Streams of Mercy explores loving people who aren't easy to love, and forgiving those who don't deserve it.

## **Streams of Mercy: A Christian Romance Mystery Novel Details**

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### **Kristy says**

On the day of her fathers funeral, Jamie Steele finds out he was once arrested for murder and the murder has never been solved. She resolves to find the truth. She works at the drug store and falls for Jason there.

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### **Joleen says**

Okay...I don't give many 5-star reviews, but I can't think of a single reason to give this book anything less. This was a different book. Within the pages are several stories, the main one being the mystery.

Seventeen year old Jamie listened in on a conversation between her aunt and grandmother, just after her father's death, the crux of which was that her father, James, had been a suspect in a possible murder...however no body was ever found. But mixed with a missing girl he was dating years before, and James's volatile temper, he became the prime suspect for whatever happened to Sally Blake.

She didn't really love nor miss the virtually absentee father, who left her and her sister for their grandmother to raise after her mother's death years ago. She admitted to being scared of him and the only feelings he was quite upfront about was his smoldering anger, which expressed itself mostly, and often violently upon their mother.

But even though she wasn't close to him, she felt she needed to find out what happened to Sally and whether or not her dad was responsible for her death, or whether Sally just skipped town, never to be heard from again.

Now, this sounds like a Nancy Drew sort of story, especially since the main character is only 17, but I assure you, this is not written simply or in any way juvenile. Oh, there were high school feelings and interactions interspersed, but mostly Jamie dealt with adults and handled her life in a mature fashion.

There are two stories aside from the murder that were interesting, one I hope is in another book... One was about a popular boy who shows some interest in her, but she learns an important life lesson with what she goes through with him. The other was about her boss and an indiscretion in his life many years ago that had a long lasting affect on several people. It, as far as I can tell, has little to do with the plot of the book, other than to give the reader some insight into Noel, but was a very interesting side story. To me it shows how sin's effects are far reaching.

Yep, I really liked this book and I recommend it to anyone.

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### **Lillie says**

I think the subtitle is a little misleading. It's more of a mystery than a suspense--there is no current physical danger to anyone.

The story is a good mystery, but it's more than that. It's a story of love and hate, mercy and forgiveness.

Jessie is an appealing character. Even though she's only seventeen years old and is naive, she is surprisingly mature in many ways. In spite of the difficult childhood she'd had, she was strong.

The Christian element was subtle, but the worldview was distinctly Christian.

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### **Elaine says**

It's well into the story before it takes off and becomes difficult to put down. It's pretty much all pointing to Jamie's father as the one who killed a girl many many years ago. Jamie heard her relatives talking about it on the day of her father's funeral. Now it's pretty much, but not quite, all she can think about. People are saying he's guilty. Evidence looks that way as well. Jamie wants to know the truth one way or the other. She believes she won't be able to forgive him for the way he treated her mother, her sister and herself unless it is proven that he wasn't involved in the murder of the young lady. There's no body though; it was never found. Perhaps Sally just ran away without telling anyone. The whole Town's talking.

After the mystery is discovered, the story continues and I found myself saying something on the idea "Oh no! Another chapter!"

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### **Linda says**

Average - Not thrilling but certainly good suspense, turns and unlikely twists.

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### **Melody says**

Wow. This was hard to read, not because it wasn't good - because it was very good - but because of the trauma in all the characters' lives. Life was not easy for any of them, and it was hard not to feel for their deep struggles.

Obviously, the author did a great job! I was glad there were moments of levity, especially considering the protagonist was a teenager; considering the trials in her life, it was nice to see her have some happiness along the way.

5 stars.

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### **Lucinda says**

#### **A satisfying read.**

The writer slowly spins a story that keeps her readers pulled in, needing to know what happens next. It isn't a mystery that will keep you awake at night, nor will the romance set your heart on fire, but it's a story that holds your interest. A story that, when you reach the end, makes you glad to have read it. I found myself caring about, and wanting to know more about each character. The sign of a good book.

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### **Mary Beth says**

On the day of her father's funeral, seventeen-year-old Jamie Steele discovers he was once the prime suspect in the disappearance and possible murder of an old girlfriend.

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### **Trinity Rose says**

This is the first book in the Jenna's Creek series by Teresa Slack and I found it to be very good and very well written.

I was intrigued by the young girl Jamie who was seventeen. She found out on the morning of her dad's funeral that he was suspected in a murder over twenty years ago. She was never close to her father, because he beat her mom and didn't really seem to care for them, but she wanted to clear his name and try to bring closure to her feelings.

I enjoy Teresa's books because she tells many different stories in each book she writes. Besides finding out about the murder, this story is also about Jamie getting a job and making friends, about the different lives of all of the people who live in Jenna's Creek.

It was a very interesting book, full of many twists and turns and kept me interested. A very good book for everyone. Would recommend it.

Thank you to the author for providing this book for review. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255

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### **Mary Baker says**

This is one of the better books I have ordered for my Kindle. The author kept me guessing about what would eventually happen and about who would be guilty of a murder committed 25 years before. It is a quick, easy read. One of my suggestions would be for the author to find a more diligent proof reader; there were several grammatical or typo errors in the book. I liked the novel and will probably read some more books by this author.

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**Dee Cash says****A nice mystery**

Streams of Mercy is a good emotional novel. It deals with the lives and emotions of many people in the small town of Jenna's Creek. It shows how judgmental a small town can be. It also shows the kindness of some people in the small town. It also deals with the difficulties of forgiveness. It's a good read.

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**Angie Adair says****5 stars..Great book**

This book had me on the edge of my seat. I had no idea 'who dunnit' until the end. I usually don't enjoy this genre, but I am glad I gave this book a chance. I plan to read more of this series.

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**Lynda Knapp says****What a story!**

This is a great start to the Jenna's Creek Series. I definitely recommend this book and I will be looking for more by this author.

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