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Synopsis

This memoir is based on the true life story of Misty Griffin, a severely abused girl that was held captive by her parents until she was almost 19 years old. In this courageous account the author draws the reader into her terrifying life as a severely abused child and the confusion she felt when her stepfather forced the family to start dressing and living like the Amish. In the following years, Misty and her sister endured a childhood of physical and sexual abuse on an isolated ranch. They were not allowed to go to school or talk without raising their hands. If they did not meet their work quotas throughout the day they were severely beaten. At the age of eighteen, Misty attempted to escape and a few months later she and her sister were taken to an Amish community where they were adopted and became baptized members. For three and a half years Misty lived as a young Amish woman and in accordance with Amish tradition, she was silent about the abuse she witnessed and endured. Then one morning after a brutal sexual assault she found herself running again and this time she made it to the police station. Shaken and confused she filed a sexual assault report against the bishop of her church. Her life was about to change forever and the strange modern world was almost as frightening as the abusive situation she was fleeing. Tears of the Silenced is both horrifying and inspirational. Today, twelve years later, Misty is a wife, nursing student, and one of the leading voices for child abuse awareness in the United States.

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Customer Reviews

I questioned a lot of what might go on in an Amish community. Then I shared this book with a friend who used to be Amish. She said the author did a very good job with the truth. I was shocked. It is upsetting to me that parents (mothers, brothers, sisters) can be silenced and that's ok. NO, its not ok and I appreciate Misty Griffin doing something about it.

As a physician and having a close relationship with a sexual assault treatment center, this book illustrates very well the evils that are perpetrated on victims of sexual assault and abuse. Also, the addition of brainwashing makes the pain even greater. This book is a must read.

This was such a sad story, but it certainly proved that if someone dreams to have a future, even when the reality that she can is so against her, she can overcome her past & have that bright future. Misty is such a smart girl to have written this book, after having virtually no education. Highly recommended.

I'm right in the middle of reading this book. So far it is a really interesting and hard to put down book. I would definitely recommend it to anyone who wants to learn more about the Amish. At first I was a bit intimidated because it's a rather long book. But the farther I get into it, the happier I am that it is a long book. That way it won't end too quickly.

This book was heartbreaking and at times difficult to read. Yet, I couldn't put it down. I read it on my kindle and at times read late into the night to find out what was going to happen next. It was very long and covered quite a large time period but still kept my attention throughout.

It is a fabulously written and terribly sad true account of a woman's horrific childhood. She should be so proud of her bravery, especially after enduring some of the worst abuse I have ever read about. It truly makes you feel so grateful for your life and also makes you want to reach out and help others that may be in need. A massive eye opener and truly inspirational story, definitely worth the read!

This book has made me realize that I must confront my ex husband who mentality & abused me for 22 years until a friend gave me the courage to get out. Now that I know that had molested a 4 yr old niece, I will confront him on that. GodsOnly knows who else he hurt.. This story has given me more courage to fCe the devil.

A very good book

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