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When Ash Rains Down: Young Adult Paranormal Angel Romance (Kingdom Come Book 1)



Synopsis

Julia spent her childhood putting her life in order after abandonment, but now, it's all coming unraveled again. Julia received a necklace containing the songs of the angels from her dad when she was four. When she was eleven, he abandoned her family and the necklace went silent. Broken and heartbroken, Julia, along with her mom and little brother, moved from hotels to trailers until her mom finally found an apartment above the café she now owns. At seventeen, Julia's doing everything she can to maintain security for her family, but now her necklace seems to have come to life once again. And that's not all that's changing. When a robber attempts to steal from their diner, the necklace blazes and burns her chest. Pain in her back is nearly unbearable as the thief transforms before her eyes... into something demonic. When a demon threatens her home, family, and friends, Julia realizes there may have been something more behind her dad's disappearance. And wherever he went, there may be something--or someone--dangerous now after her. Facing an explosion, a kidnapping, and battles in a realm other than Earth, with a Guardian angel who's as infuriating as he is attractive, Julia has to come to terms with the fact that she's not quite human, and fending off demons is nothing, once the devil comes for her. But it may be too late to save the ones she loves by the time she accepts the challenge he's putting before her. *When Ash Rains Down* is a contemporary paranormal novel for fans of stories with strong female protagonists and epic battle scenes. Fans of *City of Bones* and *Unearthly* will be captivated by this unique take on angels and demons. *When Ash Rains Down* is the first book in debut author Cecelia Earl's *Kingdom Come* series. The second book, *When Smoke Rains Down*, is also available. (New E-book Cover Image Shown)"Gripping!" ~ Reviewer "...an original take on angels..." ~ Reviewer "I couldn't wait to escape into *When Ash Rains Down* every time I picked it up." ~ Reviewer "A fascinating first book in a series..." ~ Reviewer *When Ash Rains Down* is a story of hardship and hope. Cecelia Earl brings humanity to this fantasy tale. Julia isn't perfect by any means, but her striving, her misguidance, and her willingness to give up everything for her family is easy to relate to. *When Ash Rains Down* is surreal, idealistic, and full of heart, with a moral tale at the center, but also has a balanced side of loss, struggle, and tragedy. It's fast paced, and follows a small portion of Julia's life, but in a way that feels like just the beginning of her story. It almost has a metaphorical tone with what is happening in Julia's life and then the coinciding apocalyptic angels versus demons battle. When her father left, he took away her happiness and her faith. She was taught about angels singing and praying at night, but his leaving took that from her. She goes from this carefree spirit as a child to a determined and materially-driven person, who is then thrown

into a higher power of the world. There's a good lesson in Julia's arc. ~Readers' Favorite

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Customer Reviews

Even though YA paranormal romance is my personal kryptonite, I bought the book because the sample pages were so good and I wanted to see if this was one of the .01% of such genre that I would like. Nope, I disliked the book intensely for all the reasons I don't like the others. BUT it was beautifully written for the genre and the main character is compelling in a compelling story. I read every page and so I gave it four stars. If you like YA paranormal romance, you will probably like this as well. If, like me, you believe that angels are real and hate seeing angels used in fiction outside the roles we see in the Bible, and see magical artifacts used beside what you consider misused angels another thing to be disliked, then you won't like it any more than I did. If you like the TV series Supernatural and all the other battling demon shows, you should like this. Don't let this grump scare you away from a book that you would like.

I found this story to be so interesting and the idea of good vs evil angels and demons and hybrids

angels is so fascinating. I couldn't stop reading its that good. The main character Julia, her life is turned upside down with life changing secret. Which leads to a whole new kind of reality she never imagined existed. What with hot guardian angels and falling head over heels with one. Just adds to the story making it even better. Who doesn't love A good angel romance happening. Theres so many surprises and action going on it's everything I look for in a good read. Highly recommend and will continue reading rest of series for sure!

This was a gripping story of angels vs. demons in the world of an ordinary high school girl who turns out to be not-so-ordinary. The story starts with a bang (literally) and doesn't let up for a breath to the very end. The writing is polished and the pace is perfect. Reminiscent of Buffy when all Hell literally breaks loose while life goes on in a normal high school way.

Angels and demons and high school? Sign me up! This fast paced paranormal has everything you could expect from a paranormal and then some. The writing is lovely and I loved how this book felt more contemporary than paranormal because the world building was so seamless. I can't wait to read the next book in the series.

I first love this book as it provides a clean fictional story about a young lady and her faith appropriate for all teenage girls. Even in the paranormal, human struggles of trust, faith, and love are continued battles. When Ash Rains Down shares this daily battle in a unpredictable page turner that makes you wanting more. Julia's hard core belief in routine and structure and her need for it provides a real account of how that is just not the way life on earth works as she battles such demons. I suggest this for women of all ages, but certainly for mothers and daughters to read together to encourage important and valuable discussions about trust, faith, and love.

A fascinating first book in a series that kept me not only excited to read from one chapter to another, but anticipating the next installment as well. Julia is a likable though flawed character. She believes her desire for money and security is just because she wants to take care of her family, but greed is greed, as she's reminded in the end. She has wonderful supporting characters in Molly, Frankie and Mitch. Dialogue is realistic, though a little icky with Cole, which I think is a good choice, to show she's not really herself around him and beggar the question...why? Descriptions are vivid, while keeping in mind the narrator is, after all, a stressed out teenager. Also, love the cover

I really enjoyed this book. Finally a YA book that I am able to enjoy reading with my 14 year old daughter. I am very picky about what I let her read. I am always looking to Common Sense Media to help me out. I took a chance on this and it did not disappoint! I can't wait for the next book in this series! I might just start a mother-daughter book club because of this book.

An interesting and unique fantasy story that touches your soul. I enjoyed all the twist and turns. Angels and demons have always fascinated me and I like where the author is going with it. The struggles that the main character dealt with were real and raw really hitting the spot and was something I could identify with. I can't wait to find out what happens next. There's definitely a lot of unanswered questions and I'm anxious to discover the answers.

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