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Plus sized divorced nurse and single mom, Marli Meadows, is tired of the monotonous rhythm of an unfulfilled life. She is seemingly stuck in a perpetual cycle of low self-esteem and bad decisions. With her daughter approaching adulthood, she decides to make a change and leaves her dysfunctional parental ties and going-nowhere relationship with an occasional boyfriend behind in exchange for a travel nursing job in another state. Enter the handsome Chris King, who oozes confidence and pursues Marli relentlessly. Chris is white. Marli is African American. And therein lies the first of her issues with him. *Your Love Is King* is an Edgy Inspirational Interracial Romance Novel that chronicles one woman's journey toward self-acceptance and love.

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Anino says

After having read this inspirational IRR, I have to say that I thoroughly enjoyed it, and on top of that, I found it to be quite captivating.

I liked it so much that I started reading this book @ 4pm, and I managed to finish it at 7:05pm. For me to be that captivated by any book, is a good thing.

In my opinion, the author has managed to craft a quality piece of fiction with fully realized characters, an awesome storyline, a pinch of delicious drama and sensuality, and not to mention, some non-preachaholic spirituality as well.

I greatly appreciate the fact that the author was able to convey the message that yes, Christians sometimes cuss, make bad life decisions, and look for love in all the wrong places. It's about time that somebody decided to step up, and tell it "like it is."

Giving this one 3.75 stars.

Layeshia says

Prayers are answered!

This is the I love journey of Chris and Marli. I really loved this couple. Chris was my favorite of the two was a real smooth operator. Chris is the eldest son of a reverend. He's tall finer than wine. He plays the trumpet in the band named after him he also sings in the band. And to top it off he's a praying man believes in God. Chris is also a smooth talker. But when He sees Marli for the first time. He knows he wants to meet her. However Marli has a damaged soul. She is a pretty plus size ER nurse. Both of her parents are professionals and I divorced and they mentally abused her. I really enjoyed their Journey. You will enjoy this book it had me talking to myself. LOL PS Chris is something else. Also this is interracial romance w/ a HEA ending.

Nicole Dunlap says

Your Love Is King pulled at my emotions and also had me pulling out Yourube to listen to its songs. The author used music as a way to evoke the different feelings that Marli and Chris had and I enjoyed every minute of it. The story started off with your typical over weight low self esteem woman. And with the people surrounding her, you could pretty much understand why. But as the story progressed I began to root Marli and Chris. I was at odds with all the nurse sections at the beginning of the book yet the ending really pulled the entire story together. Thompson has a way with words and if your not smiling at smooth Chris then I know you're at least going to enjoy the spiritual message and the awesome prayer at the end of Your Love Is King.

Trickiegyrl says

How do you overcome the failures of your past when your parents are unforgiving? That theme is explored in this wonderful story. Marli Meadows lives in the shadows of past mistakes and regrets; never truly understanding the true meaning of happiness and love. She is at a cross roads when her daughter graduates high school and leaves for college. Her change comes when she decides become a temp nurse for a hospital in St. Louis, taking her comfort zone away. Chris King comes in as a whirlwind determined build her up and win her love.

This is a Christian romance and although they do have sex, there are no detailed descriptions. It is always good to see a man woo a woman to win her. Their love is not easy, which is refreshingly realistic.

Kudos to you Ms. Thompson.

Monique says

DNF. Stopped at 37%. No full review for this book, because I did not finish, and although not written terribly, the characters and story are not for me.

Karen says

Fantastic love story! Marlena Meadows known as Marli was a divorced mother of one and a nurse trying to live her life. Marli was raised in a very dysfunctional family; her parents were divorced and remarried. Due to her parent's harsh words Marli have low self-esteem. Marli did not think she was worthy to be loved. Marli was so heart-broken after her divorce that she decided to live life on the wild side...sleeping around. Marli decided to take an assignment in another state...She meets Chris King. This is an excellent love story that will give all women hope and inspiration. Everyone deserves to be loved....God loves us.

Sophie Sealy says

What a tear jerker with lessons to be learned.

I got things to do, you know old wives or Mamma tales to do before the end of the year. So I decided to finally cracked my book open (a book I purchased an hour after its release) and read a smidge. Well a smidge ended up being the entire book. OMG What a book. I LOVE IT. This is the perfect end of the year book. I was crying and hurting for Marli when I started and crying and rejoicing for her when it ended. It's not for every woman but every woman can related. This book oozes hope. Some times we feel like Marli not all the time with all her emotions all at once but the battle with self-esteem, self-love, self-worth creeps out and rear its ugly head and you were able to tie the package up so lovely. What a great book to have in mind with the New Year approaching, it shouts It will happen, You deserve more and go out on faith and when you find your blessing snatch it and hold on for dear life.

oshawnteexo says

Basically I loved this book! It was very fulfilling. It was sort of spiritual and I loved that. And it's about

interracial love and I'm all for that. It's now in my top ten and that's a very a hard list to make because I'm picky like that.

The heroine: Was a strong character in a matter of speaking. She wasn't the typical strong heroine she had a lot of inner strength to put up with her parents. I felt bad for her, being judge so much. She had a little spunk and I loved that our hero nick named her "Mean Marli" she was mean I loved that.

The hero: Is a white man that's black where it counts and he was a nice guy and is just completely swoon worthy and if I'm honest I kind of felt like Marli he was a little *perfect*. It's probably weird I'm jealous of a book character but I'm jealous of Marli.

Overall: The two MC's compassion is beautifully written. I loved their story and I was happy with the ending.

I want to give a special thanks to Beauutilovve for recommending this book to me, it was a great read and I enjoyed myself.

Elle1986 says

Um.... so I did something that I said I would no longer do... I let the reviews lead my purchase. I won't let it happen again.

So this book was okay... I actually knew within the first 30 pages that this wouldn't be the book for me, however I had already paid 20 cent shy of 5 dollars for the book so I figured I would read it and hope for the best.

A few things bugged the hell out of me with the main character, first she was so freaking judgemental of her friend, and her catching an attitude when her friend was out was pissing me off, like seriously you can give your opinion and provide words of wisdom... and then shut the hell up. Like she kept going on and on and on as if her shit didn't stink just a few months before she got there. ugh. The argument with Chris over money... I eye rolled so hard because it was the STUPIDEST thing to get mad about, I can understand being a little upset but understanding WHY he didn't say anything was clear.

I just wasn't feeling the main character.. so much so I didn't even attempt to remember her name.

This just didn't do it for me personally.

°BeautiLovve says

Your Love Is King amazing..... omg you have to read this IR book it was good. Man her father was mean to her, he put her down, she was a fighter tho. Mom was a drunk that also had a problem with her daughters weight. The only good thing was her 18 year old daughter. Then comes Cool Chris....man he is a sweet heart. They were good for each other. He called her dad to meet him. Boy daddy spoke his mind and it wasn't nice things about his daughter, that man wanted to know why would a white man want to be with a fat black women? Crazy... then her mother freaky is all I can say she paid more attention to Chris package it was funny. I laugh at the gas station part you have to read it to know why it was funny. The book was really great.

Amanda says

I am a sucker for a good love story, and this is one of the best I've read in a long time! Marli Meadows is a thirty-something single mother who has a less than amicable relationship with her divorced parents. She has just gotten her daughter off to college when her job takes her to a new city. Along with her best friend, Carla, she embarks on a new journey in St. Louis. Once there, she meets Chris King, a highly-talented musician who at first Marli relegates to being unsuitable for a relationship, but later softens her heart to him. There were many twists, turns, and surprises throughout this well-written novel. Sometimes things weren't as they seemed, other times I was reaching for my Kleenex, but throughout, the love between Mean Marli and Cool Chris was palpable. I found myself rooting for them to make it even when it seemed like they wouldn't. Ms. Thompson is a talented storyteller. I loved how she included a soundtrack as her chapter titles - a creative touch. Until this novel, I was unfamiliar with her work, but that changes starting now. I will be looking for other works by her, and I plan to suggest her to others who may be in need of a good read.

Sezoni says

Love is everything it is meant to be in “Your Love is King.” Marli Meadows discovers this when she ignores all boundaries and detour signs that promises to deter any leap for interracial love.

It was clear to Chris, a white guy, the first time he'd laid eyes on Marli that he'd stop at nothing to make her the love of his life. He'd seen and heard just about every negative and positive comment one could imagine regarding interracial relationships, but he refuses to be discouraged. All that matters to him is his heart wants what his heart wants, and his heart wants Marli.

“Your Love is King” is a romance filled story with some tongue-in-cheek humor that keeps the story moving fast and you laughing along the way. Chris's character, for example, is a fine piece of God's work with the good looks of Justin Timberlake, and Marli's deadpan humor tickled me rosey-cheeks when she refers to him as a “Justin Timberfake.”

What I found stunning about the story, Marli is a plus-sized girl with self-esteem issues and doesn't want to openly admit that she doesn't feel she measures up to some idea woman for Chris. Instead, she pawns him off as a typical player suffering from “jungle fever” and she isn't going to be another notch on his bedpost.

The beauty of this story, Marli and Chris are no typical odd couple. They compliment each other's strengths and weaknesses in some creative and unusual ways. The book is a quick and enjoyable read. It was hard to put down once I got started. If you're anything like me you want the page-turner, fun read, lovable and memorable characters only a book like “Your Love is King” can offer. It does not disappoint!

Janice Ross says

Some people learn to write, while some were born to do so. Adrienne Thompson was born to be a storyteller. She was born to live, observe and craft a multitude of stories that speak to the very soul of readers. This year, I've been introduced to a slew of fascinating authors - Adrienne is at the top of my list. "Your Love Is King"

is the second novel of Adrienne's that I've read and, believe you me, it won't be the last.

In this soulful novel, I met Marli Meadows. A thirty-something year old woman that doesn't know how to love herself. Marli grew up feeling less than perfect, and believing that she would never deserve true happiness. When true love comes her way, in the form of an unexpected gift by way of Chris King, Marli can't imagine that she could ever be valued or ever be loved. I felt so bad for her and what she had to endure from her parents, namely her father. She's lived a life that enabled people to take advantage of her, because she didn't know her true worth.

Marli's is the story of many other women. Even if other women do not live out the specifics of Marli's life, there are several key elements that are clearly outlined. A big part of this journey we call "life" is the struggle taking place in our minds - how we process our experiences and how we allow them to dictate our behaviors. Adrienne's novels allow readers to think about such things. She reaches into your mind, spirit and soul, forcing you to examine yourself. And she does this so very well. She is an exceptional storyteller! I thank Adrienne for sharing her talent with the world and look forward to reading more of her work.

Romance Novels in Color says

Your Love is King, by Adrienne Thompson, is one of the best books I have read in a long time! Having never read any of Ms. Thompson's work, I wasn't sure what to expect and I must say I was more than happy with the read. After reading the short bio on Ms. Thompson I feel this book was a little autobiographical.

This is the story of RN Marlene Meadows' journey to self-realization and self-fulfillment. Raised in a not-so-loving family, a product of divorce, a mother at a young age, and married and divorced herself, Marli struggles to become the woman God has intended her to be. Meeting and becoming involved with Christopher King set her on her journey to learn that after raising her daughter (Tiffany) she could "raise" herself. She learned that she was worthy to not only give love, but also to be loved, despite what her parents always said to her and about her.

My favorite part of the book was Marli's Theophostic prayer (according to the definition, Theophostic prayer is a biblical based and Christ-Centered prayer style) where she states "in that moment, I understood me for the first time in my life. I understood why I made the decisions I made in the past. And I understood that I deserved much better than I'd ever given myself." She took time to learn who she was and what God's plan in her life was.

While reading this book I experienced a wealth of emotions from anger, to pure unadulterated joy! I started reading this novel at 7:00 PM and was so engrossed I did not stop until I was completely finished! Kudos to Ms. Thompson for pouring such feeling into her work, while teaching us all a life lesson.

I have already downloaded at least two more of her books.

-Reviewed by Selina

Tumika Patrice says

Marli has spent her entire life knowing that she was the 'never good enough' child born to 'perfect' parents. No matter how accomplished she was, how much education she received, or how she was able to bounce back as life continually hit her below the belt, it was never enough. Their rejection and disapproval of her person ran deep inside and manifested in every relationship she tried to have.

After tragedy struck and a season of her life came to an end, Marli was presented with an opportunity to get away. Seeing this as a chance to get away from the ties that bound her to her pain, she seized it, and found much more than she'd bargained for.

Chris is cool, calm, collected, gifted and fine. But despite his seemingly perfect life, he, too, has known deep hurts. When he looked across the room and his eyes landed on Marli, in an instant he saw everything he'd been wanting. To him, she was the answer to his prayers. Trouble was, could he get her to see beyond his ethnicity and into his heart.

Although she put up a valiant effort, Chris was not to be thwarted. She learns that the answers to her issues are often not summed up in black and white responses, but that all the shades of gray create the totality of the person.

In this tender, sweet romance, Adrienne Thompson grants readers an honest look into the brokenness of humanity through regular, everyday, flawed people. Beauty takes on new meaning, love defies logic, success takes a turn away from the mass appeal and images society dictates, and what remains is a raw look at two imperfect people wanting to be loved and to love in return. Her characters are relatable, comical, and like the people we run across day to day. The dialogue is real, heartfelt, honest and raw. She does a great job of showing, without preaching, that hurting people, hurt people, and they hurt themselves too. But she doesn't leave it there. She gives broken people a chance to go through their journey and find some healing. And it beautiful.

I loved this story for so many reasons. It was wonderful to encounter everyday people, with average looks and regular lives and to let their stories unfold. For every woman who has ever felt that she in some way doesn't measure up, or that she is not worthy of love, this story is for you. Thompson shows us so wonderfully that every woman is the perfect cup of tea for someone. Thank you!

4.5 stars