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In the continuing story of mail-order brides in the successful Brides of the West series, Patience is abducted in a case of mistaken identity. But everything changes when she escapes her kidnapper and stumbles onto a gold mine. Can Patience make her fortune without losing her heart to Sheriff Jay Longer? Copeland's readers will delight in this rollicking story of romance and danger.

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Chris says

The last book in this series. I have enjoyed reading about God's faithfulness in the middle of misfortune. These books are quick reads, but leave me with a sense of hope. This one is dealing with similar situations, but the main character has gold fever and believes that God's answer to her problems is finding gold. While it is still a good story, I think money is a trap that Christians can easily fall prey.

Lis K says

This is the sixth and last book in the Brides of the West series but only connected to book 4 ("Glory") and book 5 ("Ruth"). At the end of "Ruth," Patience is mistakenly kidnapped during a family feud. This book picks up the story as Patience escapes her captor and stumbles into a mine's dugout. She finds an 8-year old boy, Wilson, who is sick and alone. Meanwhile, Jay, the Denver City sheriff, is on the trail of the kidnapper and trying to find Patience. He ends up finding her but Patience will not return to Denver City. She wants to work the mine that she's found so she can establish a stable future for herself and her friends (who were failed mail-order brides). Patience and Jay butt heads as she tries to find a crew to work the mine and ropes Jay into helping her. Even though one disaster after another occurs and the mine fails to produce, Patience and Jay start to develop feelings for each other. Jay is resistant to a relationship due to wounds from his past, debts that he owes, and his anger towards God but Patience really lives up to her name. There were some pretty funny moments in this book, especially with Wilson who spoke like a grownup. Patience and Jay's push-pull relationship was comedic at times, too. The only thing I didn't understand was how Patience could stay away from Denver City for so long without sending any word to her friends. I liked that Patience talked to God throughout the story even though she tended to do what she is determined to do. Jay had to learn a lesson that God was still there even when he was angry at him. Overall, I enjoyed this funny read. It was a good ending to series. FYI, a character from Lori Copeland's Men of the Saddle series pops up at the end of this book!---4.5 stars.

Gloria says

[But the horse tipped over on the icy slopes, killing the kidnapper a

Teya Peck says

Okay, I really liked this book. It wasn't preachy, yet still had good solid moral. A very sweet love story, and yes after alot of frustration a happy ending, and leads right into the men of the saddle series. THis little bit of info would have been nice before I read all "men of the Saddle" in the middle of this series. LOL! O'well I'm sure I'll read them again and in the right order.

Diane Sugars says

Patience was book 6 of this series that I have been reading over the course of a couple months, and I really enjoyed this last story in this series. I admit the story started to drag just a little bit in the middle, and I was getting disenchanted with the story, but the author came through and this turned out to be a lovely story with a good ending. The characters in this story were easy to like and the storyline was very cute!

Miss Clark says

Patience is abducted mistakenly and ends up taking shelter in a mining shaft where she finds a young boy and the old miner dies and now Patience and the boy have the mining claim. They get a lawman to help them get a crew to work the mine and it looks like it is a dead one and so she leaves back to her penniless existence and he doesn't come (even though we all know they love one another and the little boy is very attached to him and can't understand why he doesn't love him) but then he does come and we find out the mine has made them all very wealthy. Everybody is happy. And the series is finally finished.

Tasha says

This is book #6 in the Brides of the West series. This book was okay. It wasn't as good as the others because it was moving slower. Patience is kidnapped because she was mistaken for someone else. Her kidnapper was pitiful and didn't get very far. She makes it to a mining hole and finds a young boy with his dead guardian. She immediately starts claiming the child herself. Meanwhile pitiful sheriff is trying to find her and hide out from two thugs that need him to pay his gambling debts. They were so slow to recognize that they liked each other that I kept putting the book down. Like I said it was okay.

Cathy says

Discrepancy with books Glory & Patience:

1. Jackson, the wagonmaster lead the wagon train from Missouri to Colorado not Dylan McCall who only went a short distance to Colorado
 2. When Jackson and Glory were lost in a blizzard, Glory not Ruth shot an elk, gutted it and both Jackson & Glory crawled inside not Ruth & Dylan McCall.
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Melissa says

Each book gets better and better in this series. The plot is wonderful, and the characters are very endearing. Patience and the young boy Wilson are quite lovable. Suspenseful and romantic, it keeps you on your toes, wondering about the mystery of the ghost of Gamey O'Keefe, and the adorable romance between the two main characters. I like it very much, and Jay's struggle with the death of his wife and children, and his loss of faith in God's love and care, are very deep and moving.

Kathryn says

After reading 5 other books in this series, I was wondering if I needed a little variety. When I started reading Patience, I didn't get into it as fast and thought about putting it down. I'm glad I didn't. I thought the setting of a mine that was supposedly haunted was not up my ally, but it turned out to be the perfect solution to the remaining mail-order-brides worries of money when the Sheriff Jay hits the "mother load" of gold.

Patience is kidnapped by mistake and then stranded in a mining town. She happens upon a little boy, Wilson, who was being cared for by an old prospector. The prospector is dead and Patience takes up the care for the boy and the mine. The sheriff, Jay goes off to find Patience and doesn't have a hurry to return to Denver city because his gambling debt has caught up to him. He tries to convince Patience about the futility of mining, but she stubbornly resists until she convinces him to work for her and hire a crew that isn't scared of the "ghost."

They have their share of problems, with the "ghost" that turns out to be two men who want to jump Patience's claim, but most of all they find that they are good for each other. Patience finds and accepts this first, but Jay must first accept that he is good enough for Patience and can love again after the loss of his wife and son. He must also be willing to accept that God hasn't forsaken him and forgive his belief that God had during his time of loss.

All ends well and Wilson, Patience and Jay form a family. Lily wants to find love too. There is the hint that she maybe will when Cole Claxton (men of the saddle series) comes to visit...He's already married, but Jay says he has unmarried lawmen friends.

Donna Brown says

This was my "blind" date with a book pick for February. I'm not much on Western type stories. A sweet story none the less.

Nicole says

Hmm...Patience was another good story by Lori Copeland, but I must say it was my least favorite of the *Brides of the West*. There were several errors in the scene that connected the beginning with the end of book 5, but maybe I was the only one who will notice :) Also, in Glory it was mentioned that Patience had blond hair, and I was looking forward to a blond heroine only to find that her hair color had changed by book 6...now she's a brunette! :)

I was very intrigued by the mystery regarding the mine, and the little man who keeps appearing (or does he?), but it seemed that this book had more romance in it than the others and I appreciated the fact that the others were so very tame. It wasn't awful though.

Overall: I liked it.

Angie Taylor says

This is the last book in the Brides of the West series and it was a great, lighthearted read. Each book in this series deal with old western atmospheres and characters that are witty, spunky and hilarious. The author drops little christian teachings here and there, but it is never over the top and too preachy, but rather a great balance with the humor, romance, and drama that these young women face as they try to discover what they

are going to do with their lives. The last 3 books of the series, which Patience is a part, deal with orphan girls that have been forced to leave the orphanage and become mail-order brides. For some people the books may be too similar to one another, but for those who like a fun fast read, they are a great book to pick up.

Julynn says

Patience had much more perseverance than I would have in trying to make a living to provide for her loved ones by the mine she stumbled into owning. I enjoyed the softening of Sheriff Jay Longer's heart and faith journey. The addition of the 8 year old boy Wilson was a precious story line as well.

Debbie West says

This was one of the better books in Brides of the West series. Jay owes gambling debts & is being hunted by thugs, Patience is kidnapped, but gets tossed off the horse & finds a dead gold prospector & a live 8 year old boy. Jay & Patience are great characters. Wilson, the young boy, made me smile often. He loves animals & finds several to keep as pets. I never figured out what he fed them all, as he & Patience weren't supposed to have any money! I also never figured out how Jay, the local Sheriff, never seemed to be needed in Denver City! As a Christian Romance, this was ideal. No long prayers, but a firm belief by Patience, who helps Wilson & Jay learn how to have faith in God, even when plans seem to be failing. Definitely a keeper on my bookshelf!
