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Quilt of Joy Details

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Sarah says

This was a sweet "devotional" book. It is filled with cute, uplifting stories that are centered around quilt patterns.

LaDawn says

I didn't realize this was written to be a devotional. I was expecting real stories about people and quilts, not vignettes written to illustrate a scripture or value. Still, I finished it, skimming over the "devotional" part. The scriptures weren't KJV, so I skimmed them, too, (not as pretty or poetic as the KJV).

Tricia M.S. says

It took me a while to track it down but it was worth it.

This book was an easy read with each story being only a couple pages long. So it makes the perfect bedside reader. On those nights that I was really tired, I could read one or two before shutting my eyes. Yes - there is a God/religious/spiritual theme to the book, but overall it didn't have that overly heavy "bible-up-side-the-head" feeling to me. The balance was well done and made for an enjoyable rhythm.

The illustrations depicting a quilt in the front of each section was beautifully done by Kevin Ingram.

I also found out that this is one of several of her Quilts of series. Which I'm actively searching for by request through Mel-Cat program at my library.

With this book I would heartily give it a 5 out of 5 star rating and plan to enjoy more of Mary's books. Thank You Mary for providing a wonderful mix of my 2 favorite past times together and leaving me an overall pleasant feeling and "Joy" that your book provided.

Peni says

Please see individual stories for review.

Lynda Newman says

Was enjoyable, but nothing special.

Sheila says

So good, did not want to put it down. finished in one day so good!!!

Mary Fisher says

Inspiring

Learn a little about quilt patterns, while being inspired by the stories Ms. Tatem associates with them. My favorite was the last one.

Kate says

I liked the format of this devotional: a sweet story about a quilt (and people who make them), then an application to how we can apply a principle taught in the story to our daily walk. Lastly, she included a prayer to help us remember to apply the principle.

K B says

encouraging vignettes about quilts and quilters

Lorraine says

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REVIEW: This delightful compendium of explanations of a variety of quilt patterns accompanied by several short anecdotes connected to the quilt pattern is a quick, very enjoyable read for both quilters and those who love quilts. I was especially impressed by the gems of wisdom the author included in the summary at the end of each quilt pattern. Very faith filled and encouraging. I used this as part of my devotional time and would recommend it to all.

FAVORITE QUOTES: (Just a few as there were so many.)

"The ability to look at life with a sense of humor is a skill to covet....Seek friends who know how to look on life with a cheerful attitude."

"Sometimes we can overcome our difficulties by using a new method or finding a new approach to a situation."

"God never hides from us. He hears our pleas for answers and helps us find solutions to our problems."
