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After you read this book, you will understand that you are responsible for your own darkness.

The devil shows up when you go look for him. If you don't prickle and jag with him, you may never meet him. He only comes when you call him and when asked. People who stay put and quiet do not interest him. He feeds on fear, hate, and other negative emotions, and finds a fertile ground whenever someone plants these seeds.

What is the deal with the devil? In this book, he is "harvesting" after an earthquake in which family members have been lost, he is a drop-in stranger impregnating a baby-starved mother, a pastor who fights his demons by seeing the devil in his father's face, reviving a love story from decades ago by threatening with an imminent lynch, and a celebrity who turns into an abusive nutjob.

American author Paul Michael Peters works also include *Insensible Loss*, *Mr. Memory and Other Stories of Wonder*, *The Symmetry of Snowflakes*, and *Peter in Flight*. Follow him and his work at paulmichaelpeters.com

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Heidi Brown says

First time reading Killing the Devil by Paul Michael Peters.

I was pleasantly pleased with the writing. One story reminded me of a movie call Switchback and I like that movie. I couldn't but the book down till i finished it. I was wanting to know what would happen next and surprised with the twist i never saw coming at the end. Few books can do that these days. If you like to read short stories or into what this world be like if the Devil is walking around this is the book for you.

Rachel Kester says

If you're looking for a few creative short stories to read, you'll definitely want to check this novel out. Paul Michael Peters has created a 122 page novel that includes 5 short stories. Each of these short stories tells the story of someone who is trying to choose whether to do good or "evil" in the situation that they're in. You'll read about the characters Tex, Naomi, and Haruto who have to make this important decision about the path that they'll take in their story.

Three of these short stories includes the continuing story of Tex. The other 2 tell Naomi and Haruto's stories. Tex's story is split up into different chapters that are placed after these two. This placement might be a little confusing for some and might take away the reader's interest in Tex's story due to it going back and forth. This novel though is a great one to try for those looking for a creative read that isn't time-consuming.

Linder says

Interesting read. Short stories approaching various ethical and moral issues from antagonist viewpoints. Definitely stimulates food for thought.

Diane Griffiths says

This is a devilishly good book!! There are short stories about the devil that are thought provoking and very well written. I am not much for a reader of short stories, but I did enjoy these! Go ahead and pick this one up!

Jeni says

Enjoyed the writing but found the stories to be rather lacking.

Kira Simion says

Woah, thank you so much for the eARC and this opportunity to read the story Paul Michael Peters. The

review I will make will be of my own choice and it will be sincere.

Kirk Weikart says

Five great stories mapped out to lead you through some diabolical plots. Every other story is about the devil. Literally. If you have read Peters before, you will eat this up. If not, what are you waiting for?

Sheila says

A fascinating collection of intriguingly disturbing short stories, Paul Michael Peters' *Killing the Devil* brings to life that endless philosophical debate over the necessity of evil, reminding readers that "without choice, humanity would be nothing more than a group of robots..."

Of course, with wrong choices, human beings make robots of themselves, surrendering freewill to temptation and losing dignity and hope. Author Paul Michael Peters winds his debate around the life of a man determined to kill the devil, and suffering the consequences of that "choice." In between are tales of other rights and wrongs, most intriguingly the story of someone finding goods for sale in the forbidden zone, where the reader is left to learn just what's forbidden and why. Perhaps that's the point—all commandments have a reason, however much the devil may deny it.

Thought-provoking, haunting, with the power of parable perfectly blended into reality, this is another must-read collection from Paul Michael Peters, and highly recommended.

Disclosure: I was given a copy and I offer my honest review.

Danielle Lima says

I found this book hard to put down. I loved the way it flipped back and forth between Tex's story and the others.

Vicki says

Quirky and unique

Well written combination of saga and short stories. The main character TeX is a man with a mission. When he believes he has reached the end of the mission he finds nothing g is as it seemed.

There was off the wall humor interspersed with just bad thoughts and actions. This was one off the most unusual books I have read and yet I know many people that will just love it.

Because off its appeal to people I gave it a four.

Roberta says

Wow! Wow! Wow!

I enjoyed every single word of this book, a collection of short stories. Each one seemed original, and creepy, without being downright scary. Lots of food for thought stashed away in eachon, and mystery surrounding them all. I can't say enough in recommending Killing the Devil. Get it. Read it. Read it again!

Debi West says

Great stories!

Each one dealt with the devil, beginning with a surprise and ending with one. These are not gory but still center around the devil.

Theresa says

Wow! What an amazing ride! Once you open the book, you can't put it down.

Tex Bryant is a captivating hero. Granted, he's the devil, but he's our hero. Peters story telling is brilliant and he takes a new spin on an old idea; he's certainly done his homework.

This is a literary mix of Dante, Gaiman and Peters. His style is easy to read and his prose is easy to understand.

I recommend this book to everyone who likes to read a good story.

Alysa says

Tex Bryant is hunting the devil. Told in alternating stories/POVs Killing the Devil is a great book that just needed to be expanded a bit more. In its 127 pages the book never quite comes full circle, and I was left feeling that with another 100 pages and a couple more "stories" it would have been quite a knockout.

There is something about Peter's writing that is almost intoxicating, it has a depth and quality that masks the minor problems, but also leaves me wanting more.

I was kindly given a copy of this book by its author in exchange for an honest review.

Shanell Meek says

5 story tales of one mans quest to kill the devil

In 5 short tales travel all night with Tex on a quest to kill the Devil. While on his quest Tex pretty much loses the one person he could have loved and been happy with but he let himself be dragged down and fall to the works of the devil himself. When you go on a quest to kill the devil you really discover you ARE the devil. Tex found in himself all the evil, anger and hatred that he was trying to rid the world of by killing the devil. Each story has a moral but the last one I believe really touched a chord when Tex states with his final breath, "You can't kill the devil without facing your own hell." Even though the stories are not true, they hold a token of wisdom. I'd definitely recommend this book, its worth the read.
