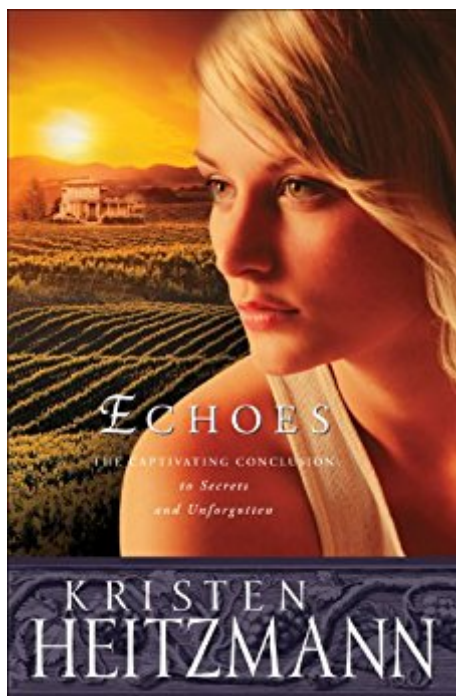


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Customer Reviews

I really appreciated this book and especially how it gave true fulfillment in seeing the progression of the relationship between Lance and Rese in which there was true development and growth in their understanding of one another, of their individual and joint relationships with the Lord, and the reality of learning to be open and willing in their communication with one another. Of course it was also nice to see Sofi find peace and resolution in her own life and together with Matt and Carly. To be honest, there were times when I almost felt Sofi was too broken emotionally and mentally to have any healthy relationship and this did seem to be a little rushed and unbelievable in its resolution. But ultimately I just have to say that I LOVED this series and continue to feel challenged about my own personal daily relationship with the Lord and in sharing that with others.

Really enjoyed each of these books in the series as some difficult life situations were major struggles in the characters' lives. The ending results didn't come about easily, and not without personal sacrifice because of their relationships with those they loved, but more importantly because of the love of Jesus Christ being lived out in their lives. Greater love has no man than he would lay down his life for another. The story of redemption on more than one level; the story of love for others lived out. These were characters I would enjoy being friends with in real life.

I'm a reader. I never buy books, but bought the second and third, just to see what was going to transpire. Awesome characters, plot, background. No sex, just glory to God for all His grace. A Christian book, pointing to Christ gently, telling a wonderful story, built well on the pages. You'll love this trio of books!!

If you've just started with this book you've missed a lot. Tho the ending is as it should be you've missed the journey. And what a journey it's been. Wonderfully warm with family as normal, loving and complicated as they can be. When I started the journey with them I was always left with wanting more but Ms. Heitzmann knew just how to conclude, with a smile of satisfaction, and thanks for a wonderful author.

I absolutely loved the first two books. Could not put them down. Lance and Rese's characters are so believable. I found myself getting upset with them and cheering for them too. Maybe that's why I was a little disappointed with Echoes. Not enough Lance and Rese for me. I was glad to see the conclusion of their story but it was the dynamic of their relationship that got me hooked. I liked Sofie and Matt and rooted for them but they didn't grip me like Lance and Rese. Its worth the read though.

Echoes by Kristen Heitzman is the sequel to Unforgotten. It is a little faster than Unforgotten and I think it is because they are back in Sonoma. Lance and Rese are back at the Inn, although it isn't going to be a bed and breakfast. Lance has made Rese upset with him by his not telling her the entire truth. His Nonna has come to live with them from New York City. She is now back in the little room behind the kitchen that was her Nonno's. Star has come back to stay and she helps take care of Rese's Mother who is now living with them instead of in a mental health facility. She isn't always in the present but Star has a

way with her. In addition, a young homeless girl is here and she has just had a baby. When the baby was born, he had a cleft palate and he wasn't breathing. Lance took him and placed his hand over the baby's nose and mouth. The baby began to breathe and the cleft palate was fixed. Lance claimed there was no cleft palate but the others believe differently. Lance's sister Sofia comes to live with them and was there when the girl handed her baby to Lance and told him the baby was his and she left. Sofia and Nonna take over taking care of the baby as long as he is here. Child protective services is called in and Matt Hammond comes to see them. He is taken with Sofia. Sofia has left New York and come to Sonoma to work on her dissertation and to get away from a broken heart. The man she was with was very controlling. He is passionately controlling with his daughter Carly. He told Carly that Sofia had died but she found Sofia's phone number in his phone and called her. She didn't talk but did hear Sofia's voice. When he catches her with his phone, she said she was looking for games. She said her friend Drew told her there were games on phones. The next thing she knows, Drew's dog has been killed. Could her dad have done that? Why would he? Why would he lie about Sofia? Between Reese's mother's insanity, Star's eccentricity, Nonna's age, Lance's new ability to do things, Matt and Sofia and the baby, and Carly and her father, the plot just thickens. It is a hard book to put down.

Mystery, drama and romance rolled up so well into such an inspiring, life leading series of books, I could not put them down. God is Grace and God is in control. A must read.

I just love the Michelli family series and am looking forward to reading more about them and their growing family.

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