

One Mother's Unexpected Journey Through Infertility, Adoption, and Foster Care

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## Chasing Kites: One Mother's Unexpected Journey Through Infertility, Adoption, and Foster Care



From the sterile isolation of infertility to the emotional rollercoaster of adoption and foster care, Rachel McCracken gets it! She gets the dedication and work that it takes to blend a family group. She gets the heartache and the sorrow of the desolate valley known as Infertility. She gets the commitment and purpose one must help kids rise from the ashes of abandonment and dread. Lose yourself in this delicious tale of love both lost and found. -- Can you really relationship with an adopted kid, a foster child, or a mature children? --What is it like to reduce a child once you have poured your heart and soul into his or her life? --Can you love an used or foster child just as much as a biological child? Going from zero to four used kids through a Colombian orphanage and from four to seven through the united states Foster Care Program, Rachel writes a masterful memoir of the good, the poor, and the ugly with purpose-driven existence lessons discovered from each. --How about fertility remedies, are they actually that bad? --Why don't people simply adopt? What's the big deal? In case you are trying to support someone you love through any of these things, this publication is for you. --What can be an orphanage really like? If you've ever experienced loss, grief, or heartache this reserve is for you. In case you are struggling to create a family or to blend a family group, this publication is for you. Chasing Kites answers most of these queries and even more. Chasing Kites: One Mother's Unexpected Journey Through Infertility, Adoption, and Foster Care weaves real-life experiences of struggle, heartache, and loss into a fantastic narrative of faith, hope, and the pleasure that may come through it all.



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If you have a family group, regardless of how you go there, this reserve is for you! This book is an amazing story of adversity, faith, healing, and courage. And scanning this book just made me want to do it all the more. Definitely inspiring, I myself stuggle with fertilty. I'm all about offering desire to parents in the trenches and this book does that. I adored reading about the McCracken family's trip. I was involved from the beginning and couldn't place it down. I was instantly drawn into the author's story, completely at awe of her wisdom and grace in her journey to motherhood. I laughed and experienced joy as she brought us through the successes with each of her kids. I truly sensed like I was on the journey with her, learning the lessons that she did. We have under no circumstances adopted or done foster treatment, we have four bio children, but I really like what Rachel McCracken had to state about the heart of parenting. She walks us through the difficulties and complexities of parenting, regardless of how you got there. I came across myself attempting to highlight all of the "Lessons Learned" sections therefore i could go back and research them further. Such a wealth of understanding won on some of the hardest parenting battlefields. It really is beautifully written and full of heart. A inspiring story! Inspirational! Great BEFORE End Overall, this was a great book that I enjoyed reading. I cried as Rachel defined her miscarriages (having experienced that myself), and my heart broke as she tells us about her encounters with the orphanage and foster treatment system. Rachel McCracken's tone of voice is solid, insightful and real. She captivated me with her emotion, center and good attitude. My reasons for providing it 4 stars are: 1) Since it's self released, there are spelling, typo, and spacing errors in some parts of the book. On her behalf, it was the experience of being pregnant that she desired. I feel empowered and encouraged about our family's potential after reading Chasing Kites.. He fits therefore well here, simply hoping the system doesn't fail him! I must say i liked this honest account of the authors issues with infertility and adoption. Heartfelt, true and an incredible resource. I read most of it on the fitness treadmill at the gym, and many times had to struggle to hold it collectively so I didn't look like a crazy woman crying over my phone on the treadmill. Honest, positive message, excellent read for all families A genuine look at infertility, fostering, and adoption. Plus they occasionally jumped out at me unexpectedly and I simply wanted to start bawling there. As a mother or father who hasn't adopted, I wasn't absolutely sure how much of it could resonate with me personally and was surprised to look for that I didn't feel any disconnect at all. A Must Read! Actually, what I would love to read next from this author is a howto book providing ideas for parenting in challenging situations. McCracken's parenting life required a lot of treatment and self-discipline and planning. I'd want to know what specific stuff they did to make their unusual situation work as well as it did." Basically, through the entire book and during her infertility, she discusses how amazing adoption/fostering can be etc. We're all just parents and that emerged through actually beautifully throughout most of the book. This book provides raw, unfiltered view of the highs and lows of one couple that wanted nothing more than to start a family.! It really is honest and solid, emotional and inspiring. Personally, i did not have to endure the kind of struggles to become a parent that the author of this book had to face. (Thankfully, I was blessed with 2 healthy pregnancies. Before I go through this publication, I didn't appreciate the depth of feelings it entailed to go on this kind of journey. McCracken. I chose to purchase this reserve to greatly help me understand the grief, heartache, and reduction that they encountered on their journeys, as well as the joy, like, and blessings that they right now celebrate every day due to their faith and perseverance.) However, I have several friends and family members who have gone down some of the same paths as Mrs. It had been very eye-opening to observe how much somebody can struggle with a thing that I often neglect. I thank Mrs. McCracken for enlightening me, and reminding me to be thankful for the blessings in my life. This book happens to be a must read for anybody who loves anyone who has chosen an unconventional path to building a family, whether through adoption, foster care, or IVF. It will open your eyes to the rollercoaster of emotions that these family members must endure to achieve the dream of learning to be a parent. Super honest and inspiring personal trip to becoming a parent I am a Clinical Counselor, writer of "Reclaiming Hope: Overcoming the Issues of Parenting Foster and Adopted

Children", AND an adoptive mom. I have fostered, followed, and birthed. All that is in my context when I state THAT IS A FANTASTIC Reserve if you are strolling through infertility, and/or is considering adoption of any kind. Chasing Kites is a great balance of honesty about the hard and devastating and honesty about the hope, the rewards, and the deep pleasure in parenting our kids, whoever birthed them. It's a companion for anybody walking this life experience. I also love the many assets offered in the back of the book by their business AND that proceeds move toward scholarships for various other families. That is a GREAT read.? Awesome. As a parent in the throws of Foster care, this book made so much sense.! ur initial placement is certainly 3, and the bicycle between he and I is definitely amazing. I have no doubt It will leave you feeling uplifted and influenced.! It is a beautiful memoir from a woman who was willing to do whatever it took to fulfill God's arrange for her. Awesome family journey I loved this book. That includes just about everyone best? And pray that someday I will be adopting myself. Ideal for anyone is experiencing adoption, foster care, IVF, households, parenting or anyone who supports those who do. Thank you for writing about your journey. For adoptive, foster moms who've struggled with infertility! I was fortunate enough to have 3 bios prior to starting the process. She spoke from the heart and she was very real! and then, once she actually turns into pregnant, the next chapter name (and subsequent writing for the reason that chapter) comes across as negative, or as though physically birthing a child is first-class in the way of motherhood. It is the story of a very nontraditional family, and how it had become. Truly inspirational Loved linking to Rachel and being inspired by her solve and commitment while remaining true to what family really means. For anyone thinking about or amid fostering or adopting this publication provides strength and wish in the future Gave great insight into those who struggle with infertility. Touching stories about a very nontraditional family This was such as a cross between a assortment of essays about adoption and a self-help/parenting book.. It was well worth reading. Some of the sections were just therefore touching. Such a positive attitude and uplifting examine for anyone. She brings such great perspective and wish. 3) Her last chapter is titled "Adoption Is Not The Same. After reading Chasing Kites, I am truly inspired! I found myself totally enthralled in her journey and the lessons she's learned. 2) Toward the finish of the publication, the writer was repeating herself multiple occasions on a single and following web pages. I read everything in a single sitting and gained a whole lot from the experience. This book opened my eyes to things I sometimes neglect. I highly recommend this publication to anyone who would like to expand their capability to like and live a lifestyle full of faith and purpose. It helped me to better understand the problems that women who are faced with these struggles experience. I was able to pull several estimates from the book. On her behalf, DNA wasn't why she wanted to have a child, which is fine. As a mom of four bio kids and two children we are wishing to look at through foster treatment, this book hit close to home. So, if you're that person, or somebody who can't physically get pregnant- she ends the publication on an email that is kind of a slap in the facial skin telling readers that if you don't birth a child, it isn't the same. What I didn't like- is usually that, not everyone who wants to be considered a mom, feels the necessity to brith a kid to accomplish it. Again, also fine. Great Overview Simple exciting read. The publication is more about the attitude of adoption and foster caution then the day to day experience.



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