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A Bride For Donnigan (Women Of The West Book #7)



Synopsis

Responding to an Advertisement, She Crossed an Ocean to Meet a Total Stranger and Became a Mail-Order Bride...Kathleen O'Malley stood on the deck of the Barreth Lily and watched the land she'd called home for more than a dozen years slip from her view. She had thought she would be glad to see the last of it, but she was not. Emotions in turmoil, her whole being yearned to slip from the ship and return to what she knew. Even though Kathleen had not been happy with her situation, it was all she had ever known. As the shoreline faded into the morning mist, her only certainty was that she was bound for America to marry a man whose name she did not even know and whose face she had never seen. On the other side of the Atlantic, Donnigan Harrison anxiously awaits Kathleen's arrival on a prairie farm far from her port of arrival in Boston. He has known the wonder of a dream fulfilled--a snug frame cabin, the sturdy log barn and outbuildings, a fine herd of livestock, and crops in the field that made his eyes sparkle. Yet Donnigan felt a loneliness on the western frontier that pierced his very soul. With so limited opportunities for finding a wife, the notion of ordering a wife that once seemed unthinkable had come to make some sense. Now that the time has come, Donnigan feels like a small boy waiting for Christmas. But Donnigan's anticipation is overshadowed with terrifying uncertainties--What have I done?

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Customer Reviews

This story has to be the sweetest I have read in years! It was pure and upright, with a full Christian focus, especially near the end. It tells the story of a young Irish girl who has faced more than one tragedy in her life and out of desperation turns to an option she likely never would have considered in better circumstances: shipping herself to America to become the wife of a man she knows nothing about. On the other side of the Atlantic, a young man living in the frontier has signed up for a "mail order bride" also out of desperation born from loneliness. Their epic meeting and journey to love, a family of their own, and finding faith in Jesus Christ is nothing short of beautiful. I was sorry to reach the end and can't wait to read it again.

I liked the fact that even in their fear of the unknown, both Kathleen and Donnigan took a leap of faith. From that difficult first year they continued to grow in their personal relationship as their family grew. They felt the conviction that they must learn about GOD in order to properly raise their children in preparation for the life to come after this temporary time on earth. They studied GOD's Word until it brought them to salvation. They still realized from the witness of their neighbor who had been raised in a faith filled home that it is by personal choice that we come to a point of confession and asking for forgiveness through the Holy Sacrifice of Jesus.

This was a great book. Starts off real slow. But then it picks up quick. I loved how it showed how to really talk to someone especially your spouse. to get to know them. also step by step on learning about God and getting to know him and becoming a Christian.

I so loved this book, I adore the books by Janette Oke. this one also spoke to me about the bitterness I, and many people carry in their hearts. I would have like to seen Donnigan and Kathleen's search happen earlier in the book, but other than that it's a beautiful story.

This book is good butt it's one that is hard to read in a way because you were expecting something and in the end you get the blessing of knowing how easy it is to know the Lord. It's basically about the struggle of a family who have no guidance but the Bible to find out of the Salvation of Jesus. I

recommend that everybody reads this book. Even I feel closer to God. Don't give up on it in places but keep going because the end is worth it

This was a great story - kept my interest & had a great ending! I totally recommend! You will enjoy it!

My wife and I read this together out loud by taking turns. Hard to comprehend that a mail order bride system was successful. It was enjoyable to learn about the system and to see that it didn't work for everyone.

This is ;another great book by Janette Oke. A young lady, orphaned by her parents and taken advantage of decides to leave her home and country to take a chance on being a bride to an unknown man. Very tender, exciting, suspenseful and insightful about the Christian truth.

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