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Peculiar Treasures (The Katie Weldon Series #1)



Synopsis

A fresh start? Katie Weldon catches more than just the bouquet at the wedding of her best friend, Christy Miller. She also snags a job offer that launches her into an adventure she never imagined. Katie eagerly accepts the job as resident assistant at Rancho Corona University, only to find herself in a community of conflict. She thought this was where God wanted her, but how can God use her and love her when everything is falling apart? Especially when it comes to her boyfriend, Rick. Katie turns to the women in her life for solace, including Christy. In the safety of their love and encouragement she finally allows herself to spill her heart about her relationship with Rick. But even their advice can't postpone the decision Katie must face, a decision that will define who she is and the woman she's becoming. Peculiar Treasures is the first book in the Katie Weldon Series.

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prose, clichéd characters and predictable plots-and imbuing it with the hallmarks of literary fiction. The characters are multidimensional and ring true at nearly every turn. The dialogue that ensues is at once heartbreaking and utterly familiar to anyone who has ever been in Katie's shoes. Moreover, Katie's religious faith never feels sentimentalized or tacked on, but is integrated beautifully into the charming plot. (Apr.) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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I read Robin Jones Gunn's Christy Miller series when I was a teenager, and it helped develop who I was as a young Christian teenager. I really enjoyed spending time with Christy, Katie, Sierra, Tracy, Doug, Todd, and the rest of the gang. They were friends that I enjoyed hanging out with. I was saddened when Robin Jones Gunn took a break from writing about these wonderful friends of mine. With the beginning of the Katie Weldon series with *Peculiar Treasures*, I finally got what I wanted. A story told from Katie's perspective about her trials and tribulations as she heads toward finishing college. I enjoyed this first book as I watched Katie struggle with her school work, RA responsibilities, and her relationship with Rick and her friends. All the gang makes cameo's and makes me smile. I really can't wait to read the next installment in this series. I highly recommend this book to fans of the Christy Miller series.

It was a good story, but it seemed very long. When I finished the book I was a little disappointed that the main event of the book was predicted two chapters in. When you start the book you know

exactly what is going to happen, it just has a lot of fillers to get there. Not bad for a one time read, but I wouldn't go out of my way to read it again.

love this book

WOW! What an amazing book! I have not read the Christy Miller series or any other books by Robin Jones Gunn, but wow I am glad I found this book! It was amazing! I love how real Katie is and the God moments she has! A lot of the God moments she had made me think about my faith such as the hot on his heels theology and the peculiar treasures! Can't wait to finish the series and I definitely plan to read the Christy Miller series after this one!

Peculiar Treasures is Robin Jones Gunn best work yet. I have followed Christy through all the series. Katie always seemed like the girl I wanted to know better. Robin develops her character well, from a teenage girl bopping around, making flippant comments, stating profound "God discoveries", to a young woman still trying to work out the kinks in life. She is very easy to identify with. I love the illustrations of the backpacking trip, the "wall of kisses," and the melted ice cream. And what is fun for us Christy Miller fans is to continue to follow her life after the college years. An easy read, great for all of us to see a good christian model!

I would recommend this book, especially for teen girls as well as young adults. Clean, wholesome reading. Great story plot, good characters. Great life lessons inside.

This book is soo good I really want to get the second one but I need to pay again but it's worth it trust me if you don't really get this book you now the story well I advise you to read the Christy series first then the Sierra series then Katie it will help trust me

You can't go wrong with any Robin Jones Gunn books. This book is just another in her long line of books and is very enjoyable. You will want to read it again and again.

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