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This book reveals Corrie's belief in Christ that carried an innocent woman through some of the worst agonies man can devise. This is one of the most tragic, yet most inspiring and faith-giving true stories of modern times.

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Sandra Byers says

TANTE CORRIE IS ALWAYS INSPIRING

I never fail to receive a blessing reading Corrie ten Boom. Compare your struggles with what Corrie and her family endured and your struggles will seem small

Joleen says

A Prisoner and Yet was a book I read as a young adult, but it is definitely not limited to goat age limit.

This a follow up book to The Hiding Place, which is an amazing book.

Corrie's family helped Jews avoid capture by the Nazis in Holland by building a false wall covering a small space in the event of a raid.

Her whole family was arrested, sent on long train rides, and taken to the Nazi death camps. She was the only one to survive, and eventually released almost as a fluke, which of course she felt was God's provision and will.

This book covers more of what happened in prison, and some of the years that followed, including meeting and forgiving one of the guards from one of the prisons.

This book is amazing and one not to miss....

AND it is a true story.

Christen says

I read this book understanding that it told of events over the same time as The Hiding Place. I appreciated the additional information, and it helped me understand the timeline more clearly. If you were going to pick just one of the two, I would select The Hiding Place. It tells the story of the family and background of faith, some of which is completely absent from this book. It also tells Betsie's story a bit more clearly. However, reading this book helped me understand better the way Ravensbruck was portrayed in the Hiding Place movie.

Probably best read and understood as a companion to The Hiding Place. I would probably read this first and then The Hiding Place. I don't know why, but I kept reading this hoping the outcome would be different. It's like reading about the Titanic and hoping the boat doesn't sink at the end this time.

Jeanette D Lucas says

Fabulous

I read The Hiding Place many years ago and was captured by it. This book which I discovered by accident had the same effect. Each page reveals another challenge to us the reader and also encourages our faith. Such a special lady so devoted to her faith in the worst and best of times.

Sherri Stewart says

Worthy read for all ages

Corrie paints a vivid picture of her experience in concentration camps. Through it all she never gave up hope and used her time at the camps to minister to others.

Rachel says

The only reason I did not give this book five stars is b/c it was not easy to read. Human suffering is never easy to read about, but when it is a woman sharing about torture, death, and oppression in a concentration camp- well, it was an emotional journey. I was continually struck by the tremendous potential humans have for evil- how easily we can be led astray- willing to do unspeakable horrors to another based on lies. Her courage in the face of so much sorrow and death was so uplifting- almost unrealistic- and I felt convicted by my own lack of faith. How would I have fared in those circumstances? Would I have despaired- or held onto the faith which has sustained me throughout almost my entire life?

Great book, recommend reading a chapter or two a day, it can be hard to read more than that in one sitting.

Kristina Alley says

A challenging and inspiring book! Oh, the things we take for granted. I cried when I read of the part when Corrie had been released and arrived back in Holland where she was treated with kindness and lovingly cared for. To eat a good meal, take a warm bath, wear soft and clean clothes, sleep in a warm and cozy bed, enjoy colors of beauty around her, and to be around kind people again! We enjoy that daily yet too often complain when something doesn't quite go our way! The statement that stood out to me after her release was, "Much work, I hoped, lay ahead of me; perhaps loneliness, too. No, not loneliness. I would love others, and then one does not remain lonely." How true that statement is! Oh, that I can love my Saviour as did Betsie and Corrie Ten Boom did in distress and hunger and anguish!

Lisa says

It is amazing to me the way that can work in the lives of people, even in the worst possible situations. Corrie recounts her time in prison and in a concentration camp, but instead of focusing on all of the pain and torment, she focuses on the things God is teaching her and the way God used her to bring joy and salvation to many. This book is a true testament to the promise, "God works all things for his good and for the good of those who love him." Even being in a concentration camp in Nazi Germany. God is good!

Wanda says

This must be the most cheerful concentration camp book ever written. The author is dedicated to optimism and her Christian religion. Some readers may find it off putting but I didn't mind the religious parts because she obviously was strengthened by her religion because through it she found meaning in her difficult experience. Also, because she hid many Jews and got ration cards, etc -- all knowing it could mean death or the camps. I laughed out loud many times with amazement at her ability to find something good in everything. For example, once on a forced march as punishment, she and the other Netherlanders sang and enjoyed themselves. (That said, I've read that the Dutch were treated better in the camps than the Jews and the Polish.)

Vickey Mcgee says

I love her stories. Full of love, grace and gives an insight into forgiveness

Naomi says

I love how human Corrie Ten Boom comes across in this book as she writes about the hardships of living in a concentration camp. Yet, she overcame in so many ways and loved those around her. I wish more people would read this book.

Melissa says

There's a lot of overlap with "The Hiding Place," but with more detail. It's amazing how much peace God gave Corrie and Betsie, and how much they encouraged and witnessed to others during their imprisonment, rather than dwelling so much on their own pain and discomfort. I wouldn't be so quick as Corrie to call Catholics part of the body of Christ (trusting Jesus plus anything else is not truly trusting Jesus), though I'm sure there are those who are true Christians among them. A thought-provoking, inspiring book.

Jordan says

'Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?... But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.'

This is a Romans 8 book. What victory and peace and joy and kindness amidst hellish cruelty and pain and suffering. I love Corrie and Betsie, and was so moved during this book to hear again of God's faithfulness to them as He led them through the valley of the shadow of death. What cruelty they witnessed, but they also shared the love of Christ in that frightening place. And as Betsie said, 'There is no pit so deep that the love of Christ is not deeper still.'

At first, I found myself in awe of Corrie... but that awe is misplaced. The same Jesus Christ who gave her the sustaining power in Ravensbruck is the same Jesus Christ available to each of us today. In every difficult circumstance we may face, He is there with us. To God be the glory.

(Also, everyone should read this book. And *The Hiding Place*. I think I'm going to go read that one again now.)

Valerie Kyriosity says

[Technically I finished this at thirteen minutes past midnight, but I'm counting it as a 2015 read!]

Eight weeks ago, Jim Wilson called me out of the blue and suggested that we chat. I was in his living room about an hour later (good...no time to get nervous). He said we could talk about whatever I wanted, but I said that it was his idea, so I didn't know what to talk about. All I knew was that I'd been in a funk for several weeks, probably months, and was feeling pretty stuck there, and if the good Lord was going to put it on Jim Wilson's heart to offer me some of the dwindling precious resource of his time, I sure wasn't about to say no. I may not be the brightest tool in the shed, but I ain't that dumb.

Anyway, I don't remember much specifically of what we talked about, but I do know that a couple days later I finally identified my spiritual clog, repented of it, and things got back to flowing smoothly. At the end of our conversation, he handed me a stack of five books, directing me to read them and get back to him. I asked for a deadline, and he gave me six weeks. Today marks eight (oops), and *A Prisoner and Yet* was the final book.

I've known and loved Corrie's story for nearly forty years, and read a pile of her books when I was in my 20s. I'm not entirely sure if this was one of them, but it's largely the same material that's in *The Hiding Place*. Mr. Wilson (who knew Corrie) says, however, that the co-authors of that book played a little loose with the truth, so I'll consider this one to be the more reliable source. Happily, some of my favorite stories were told here, so I don't have the disappointment of having to doubt them. The reminder that there is no pit so deep that God is not deeper still is as helpful as always. The reminder to cling to Him in prayer and in His Word is ever-needful. The reminder to be always looking for people to love is one I need perpetually pounded into my petrous pate. In short, though this volume could have been better edited and organized, the story of God's dealings with Cornelia ten Boom in the valley of the shadow of death is as glorious as ever and as dear to my heart.

Becky says

I really liked this. It reminded me more of reading her journal--the emotions seem more immediate with each little story. Someone co-wrote "the Hiding Place" and it seems more like a novel with more context. I would recommend reading "The Hiding Place" before this one, so the reader has the context.
