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When tragedy loomed near, April Maxwell left life in a big city and came home to tend to her father. Her faith and belief in happy endings all but destroyed, April threw herself into working her father's ranch. But as she struggled with this new life, she found herself headlong in a romantic attachment she never thought possible.

Rancher Reed Garrison resented April's leaving Texas so long ago, but he loved her still. Now Reed wanted her to succeed, to recapture her joy and love of God. He hoped the tender feelings between them would grow—and that this time, April would be willing to put down roots...with him.

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Sandra Webb says

Wonderful storyline with a range of emotions, but a HEA ending. First of three books in this series. Can't wait to start the second one!

Melissa says

LI--sweet love story but nothing spectacular.

Barbara says

This charming romance is set in Paris, Texas, a small town with a lot of people who have very big hearts. April Maxwell, now a marketing manager with a designer firm in New York City, returns to her sprawling ranch home to care for her dying father. Her childhood friend, Reed Garrison, welcomes her but wonders if she's inclined to settle here or return to the big city. April shares a loft apartment with her amusingly named cousins, Summer and Autumn.

Part of the novel's charm is Reed and April reconnecting and seeing how different their lives are, yet how similar they both are. Along the way, they have a romantic dinner at the ranch, deal with teenage vandals, and argue repeatedly. However, the ending is worth it; it's set in New York City and is very sweet, if a little derivative. A good read for a rainy (or sunny) day.

Victoria Lees says

A Certain Hope by Lenora Worth is a Christian Romance. It's the classic love story where the rich girl falls for the ranch hand. This is a story about having faith; faith in relationships, faith in love, and faith in God.

Our dual protagonists, April Maxwell, the heir to a prosperous ranch and oil holdings in Texas, and Reed Garrison, the faithful ranch hand/manager of the ranch, each would like just one more chance. This is universal. At times, wouldn't we all like to have just one more chance at love or having a meaningful relationship with our parents?

April's father Stuart Maxwell is dying. Letting go at the end of life for parent and child is difficult, and Worth handles the premise well. Because April sees how deeply her parents loved each other and how deeply her father feels the loss of her mother, April's afraid to trust loving Reed. Because Reed wants her so badly, he tries to shelter her much more than her father did.

As in every good story, Worth shows the inner struggle in both characters. She gives the details, shows the growth and understanding so the reader can watch it unfold. A Certain Hope by Lenora Worth is a good read.

Jamey says

This is a cute, clean, positive romantic story about a city girl who comes home to tend to her sick father, and the country boy that is there waiting for her. I want to say it isn't as clever as one of her other novels, "Lacy's Retreat," but I was also a lot younger when I read that one and don't know if I'd like it as much now. If you enjoy the Love-Inspired series, you'll probably enjoy this book. Not terribly deep or challenging, but something to pass the time with.

Brenda says

This book was an enjoyable quick read.
