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In his remarkable work of historical fiction, *Road to Antietam*, author Tom E. Hicklin brings readers the story of two brothers and the life-altering events they experience amidst the harrowing backdrop of the American Civil War.

Daniel and Christopher Galloway are merely teenagers when they join the Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry at the beginning of the Civil War. What starts out as a light-hearted adventure, soon descends into a brutal struggle for survival as they go from training camp to skirmishing with an elusive, deadly enemy to full-blown battle, culminating in the single bloodiest day in American history.

Along the way, both brothers suffer from illness, exposure, hunger, and extreme fear, and they soon come to realize that the deadly war they've chosen to fight has less to do with glory and banners, and more to do with hardship and depravity. In this blisteringly realistic tale centered around actual events, it becomes apparent that the overall, larger picture does not always reflect the singular human experience.

This is a story of suffering and hope, adversity and compassion. This a story of innocence lost and maturity gained. This is a story of two brothers whose love for one another carries them through the darkest time of their lives-until that fateful, bloody day on the banks of the Antietam when they must face their greatest test, and everything changes forever.

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Tim says

Excellent

So many novels of the U.S. Civil War describe events on a wide canvas. This excellent book gives us the narrow view of privates in the Infantry. Their struggles over cold, hunger, exhaustion and fear. While I enjoyed the books of Shaara, pere et fils, this book made the war really come alive.

J.R. Alcyone says

This lovingly researched and heartbreakin historical fiction piece follows the Galloway brothers of the 8th Ohio Infantry through the beginnings of the American Civil War onward to the bloody battlefield of Antietam. With strong and well-crafted characters, realistic battle scenes, gritty details, and its focus on the plight and experiences of the common soldier, "Road to Antietam" compares very favorably to Stephen Crane's classic, "The Red Badge of Courage" or to "All Quiet on the Western Front." Well-paced and well-written, the book strikes a nice balance between battle and non-battle scenes, and the characters each have their own individual arcs making this more than "just" a Civil War book.

Recommended to readers who enjoyed "The Red Badge of Courage," historical fiction readers, Civil War buffs, military history readers, and anyone who is interested in an excellent and accurate portrayal of the American Civil War.

Francis X DuFour says

Outstanding

Very well researched tale of what being an infantryman in the Civil War must have been like. Vivid descriptions of battle, as well as fascinating story of the life of the soldier in between battles.

John Kowalski says

More to come?

Well written. Let's you feel the emotion and horror of war.
The ending was poorly written.
Needed to bring it to a close.

Aletha Pagett says

Brothers Daniel and Christopher join the Union forces with young men's thirst for adventure and glory. This well researched novel documents their discovery of tattered glory and adventure turned to emptiness. It is a vivid portrayal of the horrors of the Civil War and the human cost of the War that that was fought to maintain the union. I received this e-book from Goodreads.

Daniel Kane says

Great Story.

I have read a lot regarding the Civil War, this was really well written. Mr. Hicklin showed us what it was like from the Privates perspective. A tough and terrible existence in the horrors of war.

Eugene Baer says

Too many numbers

While he writes a good account about individual soldiers, Hicklin included a confusing number of companies, regiments, etc that make reading tedious. I do not plan to read the next volume.

Bob Hobbit says

A very good book

Tells of two brothers who volunteered for service in the civil war. You learn alot about day to day existence of the solider . Interesting stuff. Well written
