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From Reader Review It Came From Hell and Smashed the Angels for online ebook

Richard Derus says

You know why I gave a horror shorty four stars? Because Xane understands the strengths of the form he's using to tell you this story. Most short fiction I've consumed on my Kindle has been satisfying enough but relied on something outside itself to finish me off, so to speak.

This story doesn't rely on one damned thing except the format of the short story to get your response. I like that. It's a smile. Xane doesn't need my kudos, he's got fans, but if you're a noob to the horror shorty world this one's a good gateway drug.

Evans Light says

Absolutely superb storytelling, with that special certain kind of mindf*k ending I adore. Highly recommended.

Nefariousbig says

Sometimes, being yourself just isn't enough. Zane does a great job doling out action in a very short story. I really liked this one a lot.

Mark Matthews says

Vivid descriptions painted with big, bold strokes about a big, bold character. An intelligent, cool twist that blends art and reality makes it shine.

Pierre says

Gotta love that title!

A short yet very effective story. Gregor Xane shows skill and style to led you down one path and then knock you over for a loop.

Bikers, monsters, a dazed and confused main protagonist, and a twist ending.

All that is needed for a fun ride! Plus a great title!

Good one, Mr. Gregor Xane!

Edward Lorn says

Gregor Xane is currently one of my favorite indie authors. I had a blast with SIX DEAD SPOTS, and couldn't wait to get my hands on this one.

IT CAME FROM HELL AND SMASHED THE ANGELS is an original tale that is far too short but still manages to pack one hell of a punch. Several witty lines caught my attention, like "A carpet of bikers," and the simile regarding an old lady fainting. Xane has a knack for delivering powerful visuals while maintaining an economy of words. He's also a confusing son of a biscuit eater. Even though this story is only fourteen Kindle pages long, I had to discuss the ending with a friend before writing this review. As with SIX DEAD SPOTS, Xane doesn't hold the reader's hand. This is intelligent fiction with a splash of horror, gore, and bizarro that should please hardcore and casual readers alike.

The writing here is all aces, folks - a flawless read. I applaud Xane for his attention to the technical details. I'm gonna have to go with only four stars, though, because the segues in this piece are nonexistent. Xane jumps willy-nilly from one thing to another, and that gives the story a disjointed feel. Maybe a few more words tacked onto the word count could have smoothed out the transitions, but this is simply me being nit-picky.

In a Sumerian... in summation... whatever: IT CAME FROM HELL AND SMASHED THE ANGELS is a quick and brutal read from an author who really should write and publish more. I can think of far worse ordeals than being stuck on a deserted island with an ereader filled with Gregor Xane titles. Grab this one for free on Amazon then buy SIX DEAD SPOTS. If you're disappointed in either one, you and I probably can't be friends anymore. Just sayin'...

Kimberly says

Unique story by an author I've come to "expect the unexpected from"! I'm afraid to write up a review in fear of giving away too much.

Just pick this one up and read it for yourselves. :)

Gregor Xane says

This short story is FREE everywhere!

Pick an online store:

Amazon (US) | Barnes & Noble (Nook) | Kobo | Apple iBook | Smashwords (ePub)

Scot says

(Review) It Came from Hell and Smashed the Angels by Gregor Xane Synopsis:

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Gregor Xane is a powerful writer. What he just did here in 10 pages is nothing short of stupendous. In this brief story, Xane gives the reader what they want, mental whiplash. The imagery just pulls the reader in. Like a mouse in a trap, I didn't see that one coming.

Run to Amazon and read this.

Adam Light says

Excellent short story that went from 0 to 100 in a nanosecond. This is a short story that lingers like the rosy palm print and the burning sensation left behind by a slap to the face. Loved it!

Melki says

Wow! This story has EVERYTHING - bikers, trailer trash, a big scary monster and a nightmare of an ending.

This was a 3.5 read for me, but I'll bump it up a notch because I enjoyed Xane's other story, The Riggle Twins: A Selection from Bad Apples: Five Slices of Halloween Horror so much.

It's still FREE, people. What are you waiting for?

Becky says

I read this today while running some errands and I didn't have my main book with me. It was short enough to read while waiting in the car for the Boy to finish his business, but man, it packs a punch! I did NOT see that ending coming.

I'm beginning to learn that Gregor's stories are nothing if not unpredictable. This is the second short story of his that has taken me by surprise. I like it.

Full disclosure - Gregor Xane is my friend on Goodreads, but this has no bearing on my review. This is my honest reaction.

Char says

4.5 stars

You're reading along and everything is cool and then, BAM! Punch in the face!

This was a well written short story about being yourself. I highly recommend it.

If you're interested, this story is free for your Kindle here:

<http://www.amazon.com/Came-Hell-Smash...>

Trudi says

Short, pulpy fun. Effective, evocative writing, very vivid and visual. And a twist ending (which I'm not sure I totally understood LOL, but enjoyed nevertheless). Still, this little diddy is a definite recommended read that's available for FREE from your preferred book retailer. This flavourful free taste has only whetted my appetite for more Xane.

Becky, that little minx, turned me onto this story tonight with her wily reviewing skills

Janie C. says

I found this short story on my Kindle this morning and read it. When I got to G.R. to post my rating, I found that that I had already marked this story as "Read" and had given it one star. I honestly don't remember reading it, and I am changing the rating to four stars. This was a quick read with a great twist!
