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This first book of the Holding Their Own series, A Story of Survival, is set in the year 2015, when the world is burdened by the second Great Depression. The United States, already weakened by internal strife, becomes the target of an international terror plot. A series of attacks results in thousands of casualties and disables the country's core infrastructure. The combination of economic hardship and the staggering blow of the terror attacks results in a collapse of the government.

This is a realistic story of how an average, middle class couple survives the cascading events brought on by international politics, high tech military actions and the eventual downfall of society. All of their survival skills are tested during the action packed expedition in a world that resembles the American West of 200 years past.

Holding Their Own II: The Independents

Holding Their Own III: Pedestals of Ash

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From Reader Review Holding Their Own: A Story of Survival for online ebook

Jim says

Good book and am hoping rest of books in series are as good.

Liz says

Great book

It a great survival book. The scenario of the fall of the United States is so real, given the state of our nation today. It's a page turner!

chucklethescot says

I had been looking forward to reading this series based on reviews that I had read about it but sadly it turned out to be 'not my thing'. This was down to the MC and the way the plot was developed.

The MC was the macho, brilliant and sex obsessed alpha male that I really don't enjoy reading about and I took an instant dislike to him. So having the story broken up with his moments of glory in the Gulf was offputting and I don't feel it added anything to the story. I wanted to read what was happening NOW, not having the story slowed down and broken up with the flashback stuff. There was far too much about how great he was and not enough story for me.

Ron Shoemaker says

This is a survival book that is actually fun to read. I gave it a five because of that and because it is particularly related to what we are likely to face shortly in the United States. Everyone can learn something useful from this book. Read it.

Steven Sheeley says

I've been disappointed recently with the plethora of self-published PA books on Amazon and elsewhere. While I fully support self-publishing, I feel that does not remove the requirements for a good story and good editing.

In the case of this book, I was not disappointed.

The characters are very believable, the plot is easy to follow and well thought out and the story is a joy to

read. I became engaged with the main characters very quickly and enjoyed watching them grow and expand.

over all, this book is well written and a joy to read and I highly recommend it.

Mrs LB says

What I really enjoy about this particular series is the relationship between Terri and Bishop. Outside of the (sometimes) comical banter, Terri is treated as an equal and holds her own. While there are things that need to be explained at times, she is quick minded and catches on fast. I love that she is just as protective and deadly as Bishop and therefore awarded her own respect.

Chris Sherwood says

Some may have issues with the misspelled words and grammatical errors, but its an over all good story. Another in a new wave of self published authors who are good storytellers.

Tara Zormier says

the bomb!

This is one of the best post apocalyptic series I have ever read! I love the lead in to the story and all of the details.

Ben Z. says

If you enjoyed Lights Out, The Jakarta Pandemic, or any of the "works" of James Rawles you will probably find this book interesting. This book isn't going to win any literary prizes. The characters are all cardboard cutouts (only good guys and bad guys) and the dialogue is laughable. I also found initial plot setup difficult to understand or believe. Too much "Clancy" for my tastes.

Despite its flaws, the author keeps the plot moving along and the reader interested, and in the end offers a quick fix for fans of the SHTF genre.

RJ says

This is the first of a thirteen volume series. Set within the current viewpoint of our social and political landscape the author projects a slowly but persistent terrorist attack on our shores. With our economy in the toilet the terrorists choose an opportune time to launch their attack on the public. Executing a combination of chemical and explosive attacks the terrorists rack up a total of thirty-thousand casualties in their opening

salvo. Our local couple of focus, Bishop and Terri will be our thermometer to measure and catalog how this apocalypse-in-the-making continues. They will wind up leaving their home in Houston and head for a pseudo-ranch and safety in West Texas. A group of former soldiers calling themselves The Force had robbed a bank and were making their way to Mexico with the loot. I'm sure we will hear more about them. This is a pretty good start to a long series with wonderful characters in Bishop and Terri and a more-than-capable narrator in D. Allen. I'm going to head right into book two, The Independents.

John says

Good TEOTWAWKI book - gonna start part 2 next. Fun read.

Ruth Murphy-Brown says

I really liked this book and have purchased the series as they came out.

Joyce says

LOVED this book. Nice story of post-apocalypse with a social study thrown in. Highly recommend.

Melinda says

I have not read much in this genre before, and I found this to be strangely compelling. The main characters were a bit cheesy, and the dialogue between them, and their jokes, were a little awkward for my taste, but I found the overall concept really engaging...and probably a bit scary since this 2015 post apocalyptic world seems like it really could happen. I will be looking for the next book in this series to see where Bishop, Terri and this author takes us next.

Robin Williams says

Good survival book. Fast moving. Happens in 2015. Makes one think. On to book 2!

Suhayl Howaida says

Starting off I wanna say, I love the genre and liked this book enough to continue the series. I gave it 3 stars for the horrible editing and sad attempts at humor. The characters were a little silly at times and sometimes not believable, but I will continue on and enjoy.

Shelby says

Great book

I have read a lot of this type of book. Some make sense and others are so far fetched you go really. He does a great job of building a believable scenario that actually scared me. I could see that happening today.

I liked the characters and the story moves fast so I really enjoyed this book.

Erin says

Yes. I'm obsessed with SHTF books. This one is ok. I liked the set up for the 'collapse' seemed very plausible. Liked some of the 'prepper' talk and stuff, but that is about it. It reminded me too much of a Jack Reacher type book. It was a fast paced, good read...don't get me wrong. I just like the more survival/learning to live off the land in these type books. I'm having my husband read this; I think he will really like it.

Steve Martucio says

Never dissapointed with Nobody

Although I am far from being a literary critic I know what I enjoy reading and Joe Nobody always comes through. This series is a little on the pricey side but if it keeps Joe writing and turning out great reads, I'll keep buying.

Cindy says

I love all apocalyptic reads. A long series with likable characters is even better. The first book in this series about the economic break down of the American society and effects on the surrounding countries was a nonstop page turner for me. What makes it scary is that it seems like something that could actually go down. The story, for the most part, follows Bishop and his wife Terri just trying to make it out of Houston and through rural Texas to what they believe is a safe place. Meanwhile all hell has broke loose everywhere. Rogue military groups, desperate starving people, fires burning freely, no power, no gas, looters. I can't wait to start book 2 today!
