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Lady Sabine is harboring a skin blemish, one, that if revealed, could cause her to be branded as a witch, put her life in danger, and damage her chances of making a good marriage. After all, what nobleman would want to marry a woman so flawed?

Sir Bennet is returning home to protect his family from an imminent attack by neighboring lords who seek repayment of debts. Without fortune or means to pay those debts, Sir Bennet realizes his only option is to make a marriage match with a wealthy noblewoman. As a man of honor, he loathes the idea of courting a woman for her money, but with time running out for his family's safety, what other choice does he have?

As Lady Sabine and Sir Bennet are thrust together under dangerous circumstances, will they both be able to learn to trust each other enough to share their deepest secrets? Or will those secrets ultimately lead to their demise?

## **For Love and Honor Details**

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## Katiria says

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\*\*\* I received this book by the BookLook Bloggers Program, thank you so much, thank you so much too Zondervan publishing for the opportunity too read and review For Love and Honor! \*\*\*

I absolutely love historical romance and after reading For Love and Honor I wish I read more of them. Because I absolutely loved and enjoyed this amazing book. For Love and Honor was a great clean romance book, if you are looking for steamy scenes you won't find it in this book. But there are some sweet and very swoon worthy scenes that I just absolutely love reading. When I first got this book, I had no idea it was part of a series and that it was actually book #3 of An Uncertain Choice Series, but it is alright too read it as a stand-alone as well. This book is about Sir Bennet and Lady Sabina. And I absolutely love and adore Sabina and Bennet together. I especially love the fun and friendly banter that Lady Sabina and Sir Bennet always had with each other when they first met. Sabina is a very smart, pretty plain Jane woman and she is also very stubborn as well, but I so loved her because she was such a lovely, caring and honest person I connected with her quickly. I also love her relationship she had with her sneaky grandmother and when I say her grandmother is sneaky she is really is very sneaky, but her grandmother does everything for the best for her granddaughter Sabina. And even though Sabina could get on her grandmother nerves sometimes and also her grandmother can get on Sabina nerves as well, but they both have a very strong loving, caring and unconditional bond between granddaughter and grandmother I just loved reading the two of them together. Sir Bennet is a very handsome, strong and really charming knight that he truly loves and adore his family, even though his brother brought so much trouble to him and his mother at there home. Sir Bennet could be so mad and angry with his older brother, but he loves and cares for his brother so much they he would do anything to help him and he forgives him quickly he truly has a golden heart. And he would do anything to solve the mess that his older brought unto his home without anybody getting hurt. Now Sir Bennet two best friends makes an appearance as well in this book, which now I really want too read the first and second book. Because I really want to know and learn more about Sir Bennet two best friends. All and all I absolutely loved and enjoyed For Love and Honor that I will most definitely will read book #1-2 from the An Uncertain Choice series. Plus I will also continue reading more books by Judy Hedlund as well!

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## Susan Snodgrass says

This is marketed as YA, but it's wonderfully interesting for all ages, in my opinion. I've loved Jody Hedlund's writing since her very first book and I haven't missed one yet.

Set in the Middle Ages, my favorite time period for a novel, Sir Bennett must marry a wealthy woman to pay the debts his older brother has incurred or face a war from his creditors. Lady Sabine is definitely a wealthy noblewoman, but she has a blemish that many fear mark her as a witch.

From here this book just gets better and better. The characters are very well developed and the locale, as I mentioned earlier, is amazing. These characters must decide whether they will trust God with their futures or

try and handle it themselves. God knows the beginning from the end and everything that looks bad isn't always bad. We must trust Him to guide our lives. Will Sir Bennett and Lady Sabine allow Him to do the same for them? Don't miss this latest offering from Jody Hedlund.

\*I was given a preview copy of this book by the author. My opinion is honest and my own.

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## **Das says**

Two words.... SIR BENNET

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## **Brittany says**

I have loved each of the stories in the An Uncertain Choice series. The books can be read as stand alone novels or enjoyed as a collection. They are perfect for teens and adults, alike. As wonderful as each novel has been, For Love and Honor is my favorite of the three!

The way Lady Sabine felt about herself throughout most of the novel really caught at my heart. Not only did she view herself as plain when compared to others, she just knew that no one could ever love her with the terrible skin blemish she hid beneath her glove.

Sir Bennet caught at my heart for completely different reasons! I admired him for his good intentions in trying to help his family recover from devastating financial conditions. I also thought he did an admirable job in trying to get to know Sabine. He was a kind and honorable man and I loved seeing him begin to realize that he cared for Sabine. However, there were a couple of times that he simply did or said the exact wrong thing to Sabine, causing her much angst! How very human and real he was in those moments. These two characters had great chemistry on the pages.

This story reminds us that no one is perfect, except for God, and that the outside appearance is not what is important to Him. An excellent message for everyone to remember. For Love and Honor was truly a joy to read from beginning to end. I could hardly set this book down! I'm looking forward to hearing my teen's thoughts on it once she reads it.

I received a complimentary copy of this book. All thoughts and opinions are my own.

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## **Jennifer says**

This was an ok read. The story had potential, but the telling of it was a little lackluster. First person narratives aren't my favorite so I don't think that helped things. The historical aspect of this was fair but

unfortunately undermined by the modern language spoken by the characters.

Despite all that, I? appreciated how clean this was and how there wasn't really any OP drama. The H was a genuinely good guy and the h, even with all her tsstl moments, was likable and tried to make the best of her lot in life. The message was a nice touch if not a bit heavy-handed. Overall a fair read. I'm unsure I? would read anything else by this author. It's just a case of "it's not you, it's me."

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## **Rissi says**

### **For Love and Honor by Jody Hedlund – Medieval Fable Echoes 'Beauty and the Beast'**

The third, and presumably final, novel in Jody Hedlund's YA historical series rounds to its end with its final Knight, Bennet, finding his own story. In this story there's a distinct fairy tale quality that doesn't overshadow the story's quiet nature, but rather enhances it. There are nods to the Beauty and the Beast fable because of the secret Sabine hides, only the difference here is that Bennet doesn't know what it is for the majority of the story.

This heightens Sabine's reactions to Bennet (from the reader's perspective), and her emotional turmoil is all the more poignant and heartbreaking as we struggle along with her.

Inside the artifacts and marble "pages" of this story lies a beautiful gem. Hedlund has again crafted a sweet, nostalgic tale that revisits a time when men were gentleman and let nothing stand in the way of honor. The characters complement one another, all at some point willing to sacrifice anything (even their lives) for the good of others. Surface level may pit For Love and Honor as sweet, but underneath, this is a story of loss, hope, honor, forgiveness, and love.

Those who enjoy Hedlund's adult historical reads or YA historical fiction will find a treasure in this series. It's an easy, quiet kind of read that ups the excitement in the latter half (in rapid fashion). The most important thing being that there is a happy ending. It's just one that comes at the cost of time, adversary and misunderstandings. All of which serve a greater purpose. For the characters (and us!) to realize that sometimes the most precious things come at the cost of patience and persistence.

Fans of "A Daring Sacrifice" (book two) and "An Uncertain Choice" won't want to miss this adventurous (and romantic!) story.

Sincere thanks to the author and publisher for providing a copy of this book; all opinions are my own.

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## **Carissa says**

I didn't think it possible. But I actually enjoyed *For Love and Honor*. Considering how much I detested, and yes I know it's a strong word but very true, the first two books in the series, I wasn't holding out much hope.

Lady Sabine is wealthy, considers herself plain, practical, and hides a skin blemish that could very easily get her accused of witchcraft. Sir Bennet is the younger son of a family whose eldest son suffered great personal loss and in his grief managed to gamble enough of the inheritance away as to threaten the livelihood of the

castle they own. Sir Bennet must find money and fast, but refuses to sell the family's treasured artwork and artifacts. He's a bit of a history nut, and since I too live with one in the form of my sister, I get where he's coming from. Lady Sabine happens to be incredibly wealthy and is tricked into visiting Sir Bennet by her grandmother, a woman who is desperate for her grandchild to find love. While Sabine thinks she is visiting Bennet to purchase artwork, grandmother has plans that involve matrimony. As it happens, Sabine and Bennet connect through their genuine love of art, history, and learning, and together prove that unlikely couples can find true love.

I'm pleased to say that Ms. Hedlund finished strong (I suspect this is the last in the series), and I thoroughly enjoyed the majority of Sir Bennet and Lady Sabine's tale. I think it had just enough of *Ivanhoe* in the story to hold my interest. Plus, there was no direct descriptive mention of medieval torture methods (EWWWWW!), and I felt like the characters were more relatable to me as a person than the previous novels.

Where *For Love and Honor* is concerned, I can honestly recommend it. In fact, I might even consider reading it again, which says a lot since I can't even fully remember what the first two novels entailed. There was a bit more authenticity to the relationship this time, and a lot less medieval torture. I still didn't see much in the way of Christian faith being represented, which disappointed me, but you can't have everything. It's simply a good read on a wintery day when you can curl up with a blanket and a warm cat and read for several uninterrupted hours.

Note: I received this ARC free from the publishing house in exchange for an honest review, which I have given.

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## Galaxy Adventurer says

\*4.5 stars\*

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## Hallie Szott says

The third Noble Knight, Sir Bennet, gets his chance for love (in the most unexpected way) in Jody Hedlund's *A Daring Sacrifice*. With all the beloved elements of *An Uncertain Choice* and *A Daring Sacrifice*, this novel takes readers on a medieval adventure, full of danger, deception, and romance.

Full review posted on Book by Book.

Thanks to Celebrate Lit, I received a complimentary copy of *For Love & Honor* and the opportunity to provide an honest review. I was not required to write a positive review, and all the opinions I have expressed are my own.

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## Beth says

*For Love and Honor* is a fun, quick read that is a lovely way to while away a few hours in a world of knight, ladies, chivalry and danger. Sir Bennet is an excellent knight, but he also has an appreciation for beautiful, sacred relics and works of art. Lady Sabine is a collector as well as practical in nature, in the habit of keeping

to herself because of a birthmark found on her arm. Sir Bennet has returned to his family home in order to pay the debt accrued by his older brother; in order to do so, he knows he must marry a wealthy lady, when he desires to only marry for love. Drawn to Sir Bennet's home by the promise of viewing and perhaps buying some of his collection, Lady Sabine has no idea that her protective grandmother has plans for Sabine and Bennet that goes well beyond priceless relics.

Despite their rocky start over the confusion of the true purpose of Lady Sabine's visit, Bennet and Sabine connect over their shared passion of beautiful art, books and priceless collectibles. It was refreshing that they were attracted to each other's mind first, and their connection was not based on their physical appearance. Yes, there are some sweet, swoon-worthy moments, but Hedlund strikes a nice balance here between action and romance. Sabine's insecurity over her blemish and her love of reading make her an endearing character for this reader. I appreciated how the story line holds a deeper feeling of authenticity, highlighting how differences in physical appearance like Sabine's birthmark were viewed with suspicion and superstition at that point in history, while also showing character growth as Sabine tries to accept herself, flaws and all.

I've really enjoyed this series, and this story is definitely my favorite of the three. While there are some mentions of previous characters, they could easily be read as standalone titles. Despite the fact that these are shorter books, I personally think they are appropriate for teens and above, but not middle grade age readers, due to the romantic thread. Everything is clean, but the characters do deal with physical attraction. I recommend this series for teens and adults who enjoy a romantic historicals. Sometimes you just want a fun, quick read with an uplifting, faith-and-life-affirming element, and *For Love and Honor* was just the thing!

I received a complimentary copy of this book from the publisher. All opinions here are my own.

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### **Melanie says**

*For Love & Honor* is the third book in this series and definitely my favorite. I loved the story and it was interesting throughout. The romance was sweet and I loved the humorous banter.

The setting was great and I liked the fight scenes. Also, the last part of the book was intense and almost impossible to stop reading.

All in all, very good and I recommend it. Not sure if this is the final book in the series, but (if so) it was a great way to end things.

\*I received a complimentary eBook copy for my honest review. As always, all thoughts and opinions expressed are my own.\*

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### **Joleen says**

April 1391  
Hampton, England

Synopsis:

During this time period Lady Sabine's skin discoloration could mean a death sentence if seen. She would be called out as a witch, and not much could exonerate her nor save her from being burned at the stake.

Her grandmother has devised a way for her to marry; unfortunately it's to a man who needs her money to save the family estate, which his older brother has put in extreme debt.

Sir Bennet returns home to find he has possibly only a month to protect his family from attack by neighboring lords who are owed a treasure in unpaid obligations. He realizes his only option is to marry a wealthy noblewoman, as repugnant as that is to him.

Lady Sabine believes she is visiting Maidstone Castle to look over Sir Bennet's art treasures, and make purchases to help him out of his mounting financial problems. The visit lasts much longer than she expected. She's unaware the delay is because her grandmother has made different arrangements.

Life threatening circumstances arise as they are beginning to have feelings for one another. Neither one feel worthy of the other, nor will they admit their growing regard. Lady Sabine knows he will be disgusted by her birthmark, and Bennet knows she's too fine a lady to be saddled with the financial ruin his estate has become.

When time runs out, and things kept from the other are revealed, options become limited and the horizon looks bleak.

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Plenty of conflict, but satisfying resolution (albeit slightly cheesy).

The cute bantering was endearing at first, but not so much during the last half. Just my opinion. But Sabina's grandmother was a hoot, and I loved the way Sir Bennet's brother stepped up and grew as an individual. The honor each paid to the other (Sabine/Bennet) was refreshing, and the faith element was evident throughout. Although the gospel was never shared, it was clear, especially at the end, that Christ was the focus of their faith.

One thing that kept surprising me was that this was a Jody Hedlund book. I kept forgetting. Normally I'm focused on the author I'm reading, but since I hadn't read any other in this series, this didn't feel like her writing. Maybe that's good....that an author can be so well rounded and creative! I believe the intended audience was young adults, but all adults can enjoy this.

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### **Carrie Schmidt (Reading is My SuperPower) says**

Oh my goodness. What a delightful heroine is Sabine! Her sense of humor speaks my language and had me smiling often while I was reading. Along with her wit, her insecurity about her appearance makes her real and honest and relatable.

Sir Bennet may not have outward blemishes but he's not without flaws. Or insecurities. Yet, I've been waiting for his story ever since we first met in *An Uncertain Choice*, because he is so loyal to those he loves and respects. Which is why he finds himself in the predicament he's in – trying to save his family's castle and their priceless relics and treasures after his brother's gambling debts are called up.



Which brings us to Aldric, Sir Bennet's brother. Tragedy in his life has led to depression (as it so often does) which has in turn led to addiction. His addiction to gambling – and his passivity when it comes to taking responsibility – has put his family in dire straits. Watching his development through the course of the novel is actually one of my favorite aspects, and I am not above begging Jody Hedlund to write his story!

Besides the sweet romance and the layered characters, there is an underlying message that is timely for us today. Namely, that we are each priceless masterpieces fashioned by our Creator, our self-perceived flaws making us all the more precious. If He sees us as beautiful, how can we not see each other the same way?

Bottom Line: For Love and Honor by Jody Hedlund may be my favorite of the series, though I've loved them all. Sabine is my kind of heroine – witty, sweet, intelligent, inquisitive, brave. While geared toward young adults, this book and series appeal to the not-so-young adult as well. Dashing knights, ladies beautiful of heart and face, witty repartee, dastardly villains, sword fights, stolen kisses and a sweet reminder that we are valued and priceless to our Creator. Highly recommended!

(I voluntarily reviewed a complimentary copy of this book)

first seen at Reading Is My SuperPower

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## **Storm says**

WOW all I can say is, Jody Hedlund has some of the most beautiful covers!! Can I have that dress?  
PLEASE???

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## **Irene Sim says**

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What I love the most about reading a clean romance is that when you remove all the hotness, lust and sexiness (even though they have their uses at times) of many romances, you are left with a huge dosage of pure, undiluted, heartwarming feelings. And in this series, Jody Hedlund left me with a full heart.

**"She was a cool drink for my parched soul."**

I loved Sabine and Sir Bennet's story. They were two very unique characters, each one having doubts about his worthiness and value. I liked how at the beginning they weren't instantly impressed of each other, but their similarities, common interests and beauty at heart made them fall in love at the end. This is how love usually works. I don't want to diminish good looks, but most of the time I think that what makes us love someone isn't just his appearance. It's all the small things about him, his actions, the way he speaks, or moves, or treats other people that makes us single him out and love him.

