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The spellbinding final installment of Trinity.

The Paladin are reunited in the Heartwood and the Trinity is revealed at last. But what is the key to the secret which will unlock their power?

Tor and Alyssa are surrounded by danger. Their old enemy, Goth, is free to cause pain and suffering wherever he goes, whilst Alyssa's nemesis, Xantia, returns to haunt her. Meanwhile, the god Orlac has installed himself on the throne of Cipres and turns his attention to hunting down Tor, determined to kill him and those he loves.

The battle lines are drawn for the final confrontation between the two most powerful sentients ever to walk the Land.

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Mai-ana says

Really enjoyed this.

Kim says

Deel 1 en deel 2 heb ik inmiddels gelezen. In een trilogie is dan het logische vervolg dat je dan ook deel 3 nog even leest. Ook deel 3 in deze reeks is een ontzettend spannende aanrader. Alles komt hierin op zijn pootjes terecht. De palladijnen hebben zich verbonden met hun mensen en de triniteit is compleet. Dan kunnen Tor en consorten op weg om de god Orlac te vernietigen. Deze is alvast begonnen met zijn opmars richting Tallinor. Daarnaast hebben ze ook nog steeds last van Goth. Daar moeten ze zich ook nog van ontdoen. En als dat nog niet genoeg is, hebben we ook nog Xantia de vijand van Alyssa die roet in het eten komt strooien.

Dit is helaas het derde deel van de trilogie en daarmee is de trilogie 'De Beproeving' afgelopen. Alle losse eindjes zijn aan elkaar geknopt. Dit is ook echt een pluspunt voor de schrijfster. Ook alle losse eindjes die in deel 1 zijn begonnen zijn allemaal bij elkaar gekomen. Je blijft niet met vragen zitten. Deze hele trilogie is een absolute aanrader.

Rhonda says

Loved the series

Emily says

I'm not sure if I liked this book or not. But I will try to work through it in this review. There are plot spoilers, but if you've already read the first two you're probably in the clear.

The Positives: It was a really great story. McIntosh really likes to pull at your heart strings with love and desires and how duty often outweighs the heart. Her stories are often bitter sweet, but I liked the plot idea. Her characters are very well developed, although sometimes their motives are unclear. I mean taking jealousy to the point where you kidnap someone's daughter and help them be violated is a bit much, especially since the animosity is never really explored other than to say one girl was jealous of the other because of one incident.

There were some surprises in the novel. I like when the writer holds a little bit back, just one small piece of knowledge they don't let the reader in on until close to the end. It doesn't even have to be something talked about through the entire novel either. Just something dropped in casually from time to time, ie. Tor's and Alyssa's parentage.

I loved that Alyssa found happiness in an orphan boy who she raised as her own. She deserved happiness, though it was bitterly unfair how Tor betrayed her in the very first book, not telling her she had children. But

conflict is often what drives a story, and it did so in this one as well.

I love the Paladin. I love the idea of them and I loved most of them individually too. They were truly great characters.

The Negatives: I was very frustrated that Goth kept escaping, I mean really, he escaped so many times it was almost comical, and he really had no bearing on the main plot of the book, he was just there to make Alyssa uncomfortable. I feel he could have died in the first book, he didn't really further the plot along, I mean anyone could have had reasons to kill Sylven, it didn't have to be Goth trying to kill Tor.

I found there was a lot of sexual violence in this trilogy, it was unsettling. While there were only ever two cases of rape, they were vicious and talked about frequently.

I actually found the story line between Orlac and Lauryn to be somewhat pointless. Orlac already loved the Paladin and was weakened by this, he didn't need to develop feelings for a woman too. I think his bond with the Paladin was enough, and Lauryn's ordeal didn't need to happen. The event that took place between the brothers could have happened without Lauryn's involvement with Orlac (and Dorgyl).

I'm still disappointed that Sallamentro was barely talked about. He made such a strong impression in the prologue, and then he barely spoke a single word after that. His character was made to seem important and then shoved to the background. I felt like I knew Themesius better and he was the last one to show up.

Severely disappointed with how Sallamentro's character was handled.

I did like the end of the book, though I feel badly that Tor won't remember anything, it's hardly fair. And it's a little strange that Alyssa is now in love with a baby...

So, overall I enjoyed the books, but there was a lot to be desired. I find Ms. McIntosh's more recent works to be better written, though some of them have violent sexual encounters also.

I feel as though Ms McIntosh loved the idea of her first novel so much that she re vamped it and re worked it and wrote it again. I found a staggering number of similarities between Betrayal/Revenge/Destiny as I did to Odalisque/Emissary/Goddess, and I have to say (possibly because I read it first) I liked Odalisque much more overall.

The tale of Tor and Alyssa is an interesting one however, and I think any fan of Ms McIntosh would still enjoy it.

Mary says

The end of another enjoyable story by Fiona McIntosh. Looking forward to the next.

Stéphanie says

This is the third and last volume in the Trinity trilogy (after Betrayal and Revenge).

Well I'm not sure how to summarize this book. So many things happen to our Mary Sue, Gary Stu and their magical children and friends: numerous comings and goings from the Heartwood to all four corners of Tallinor and Cipres, catching Goth and losing him (again!), trying to outwit the evil god Orlac (who turns out to be not so bad in the end – but don't fret, there's someone even eviller to takes his place as great villain).

Still, the characters are likeable, even though they're totally improbable (like Tor's blue eyes, which are... incredible). But the story is interminable and yet it left me in the lurch. I don't know, I have mixed feeling about this series.

Alice says

I would recommend these books to anyone, unless they were hardcore twilight fans. Maybe Smeyer read these books first.

All in all I didn't hate them, but I'm thankful I got them for nary a penny in a second hand bookshop. I doubt I'll ever read them again..

Fergus Smith says

good book let down by its ending very short and predictable final few chapters

Rachael says

I feel so confused about this series as a whole. I thoroughly enjoyed it, and felt that for the most part the characters were well fleshed out and interesting but there were so many little mistakes it began to niggle at me. Without spoilers but when a character is introduced they have grey eyes and then later on have green eyes. Or a character with twin daughters that then become an elder daughter and a younger daughter. Silly stuff like that, that should probably have been caught in editing and pulled me from the story a bit. The other thing I suppose was that there seemed to be some inconsistencies about the magic in the series. How much power each character possessed seemed to vary on what the story needed at that moment. The ending was solid and quite bittersweet. So all in all I would recommend this series.

Matt says

The ending to the Trinity Trilogy wasn't as captivating as the other two books. I felt there was too much of a sense of finality, and while I feel the ending seemed nice, I would have preferred one where we got introduced to the reborn characters properly.

All in all, a wonderful trilogy.

Katri says

It was a flat ending to a flat series. I did find the world sucking me in and I only wished the writing and the stories would've been more intriguing.

Marie McKnight says

I couldn't put it down and tears were shed.

Barbara says

This was a re-read and I'm damned glad I did re-read the trilogy when I did. In spite of the head-hopping I thoroughly enjoyed this trilogy again and some of the scenes gave me a good kick up the backside with regard to my own WIP - thanks Fiona!

Taf says

wow wow wow and wow again. A must read

D.A. Cairns says

I was sad to reach the end of this wonderful fantasy trilogy. The characters had become so familiar to me, as had the settings and the saga so beautifully crafted by the author. I've given all my detailed praise in previous reviews, so I'll just say that this is a must read trilogy for fantasy fans. I loved it. Destiny wrapped up all the loose ends in a totally believable and acceptable conclusion: a fitting end for a great story.
