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Welcome to Paradise, a sleepy, backwater town in the mountains of Southeastern Arizona where police chief Luke Hollis is perfectly content to concentrate on nothing but issuing the occasional speeding ticket. Well that and working up the nerve to approach his dispatcher, Ruby Brooks, for a date.

When an unexplained healing occurs during a service at the Mount Moriah Pentecostal Church of God, Hollis finds his simple belief system challenged and his life changed forever. Throw in a struggling minister, a world-class grifter, and a stranger with an unbelievable story of love and redemption and the stage is set for The Miracle Man. By the time it's all over everyone involved will come face to face with a power that's greater and more wonderful than any of them could have ever imagined.

The Miracle Man Details

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Jordan Stivers says

What a completely engrossing, fun, exciting, lovely adventure! I absolutely adored this story. Buck Storm's Paradise is that little town we all know, with colorful quirky people, confronted with something much bigger than their sleepy lives. It's a page-turner without being pushy or over-done. I loved the language and the imagery was perfect. In short and without spoiling it for you, I just really liked it and I can't wait to share it. Thanks Buck for the book!

Note: I received this (signed!) book from a GoodReads First Reads Giveaway.

Barbara says

This book is about good and evil. What appears as good at first can really be evil. I love books that have things happen that can't be explained. Is it God? a human? or the devil? The story is well told with well developed characters. You can feel the emotion of every one of them. By the end of the book, you want to jump into the pages and do the bad guy in yourself. But not to worry, he gets what's coming to him. And in the end, I don't think he'll be able to squirm out of it.

Staci says

Recommended for fans of Miracle in a Dry Season and The Shack.

Buck Storm's debut novel is full of rich characters, both good and evil, in a small town in eastern Arizona. I especially enjoyed Mort for his knowledge and dry humor. The main character is the chief of police and runs up against a number of miracles occurring in his town.

Overall, it was a good read.

Actual number of pages: 315

Tim Fountain says

Vivid and engaging characters and locale drive a story that at several points (especially the end) you will find hard to put down.

Plenty of human drama without gimmicks keeps it lively. And there's a good touch of humor in the right places.

Opens up more than one spiritual can o' worms via thought provocation rather than preaching.

Jennifer Hallmark says

The Miracle Man by Buck Storm is the best book I've read in a long time. It is so well-written and the characters come alive on the page. I couldn't put it down. My kindle kept running low battery, so I'd plug it in long enough to charge it a little and read until the battery was low again. I did this until I finished it. Several twists in the plot were so good, they kept you mesmerized. You won't be disappointed if you purchase this book...

Toni McIntire says

The Miracle Man. Who is he? Is he Whitey, the preacher? Is he Josiah, the stranger in town? Is he Luke, the chief of police? Will Luke ever let Ruby, the dispatcher know how he feels? Will Josiah win the girl he learned to love thru letters during wartime? Will the citizens of Paradise, Arizona learn and accept the real Miracle Man? This book is full of twists and turn. It will keep surprising you from the beginning to the end. I look forward another book by Buck Storm. Thank you Goodreads for picking me as a winner.

Buck Storm says

Dedication

If you've been kind enough to open this book then it is dedicated to you.

I hope it makes you smile.

Cindelu says

This is a first book by author Buck Storm and I say, "keep 'em coming!"

Thanks for letting me win it on Goodreads.

The characters were fun and interesting. The storyline was enthralling and the setting intriguing.

The author has the ability to be beautifully descriptive but not boring or overwhelming. Surprises until the end kept coming keeping me turning the pages to see what was next.

This book involves religion, criminals, love, healing and just plain fun. I loved Luke, Ruby, Josiah, Esperanza, Mort and Paco and every minute of my journey through their lives in the year 1951 in Paradise, AZ.

Ron says

"Reality doesn't always serve up what you want. But it always has a purpose."

A well-conceived, well-developed tale of faith and perception set in the golden years shortly after World War Two. Storm creates a subtle sense of time and place throughout his story. A world without computers, cell phones, cable and internet suggests a slow pace which turns out to be as illusive for them as for us with all our labor-saving gadgets.

“Confusion put an arm around Luke’s shoulder.”

The characters are complex and real ... mostly. We share the point of view of several characters will no doubt whose head we’re in and an adequate sense of certainty and confusion as appropriate. The varied cast avoids obvious stereotypes while providing realistic depth to most characters.

“Is the right way to do things always the right thing to do?”

Despite the best efforts of the good guys, things just keep getting worse. Their opposition seems a step ahead of them at every turn. You’d think they’d quit underestimating their opponents. The climax, while not predictable, was just a bit too easy.

“...picking at a big hive with a short stick.”

Quibbles: World War Two letters would have locations and future battle plans censored out. Few bodies were returned from the Philippines to the United States for interment. No, World War Two wasn’t “over for all intents and purposes” with the liberation of the Philippines, and it would be naïve to think mustering out “just a formality”, and, yes, the Department of War, later Defense, would have cared.

“A body can learn more with his mouth closed than with it open.”

Overtly Christian, this tale will still engage and even entertain a variety of readers. Suitable for young adult readers.

“Truth always has a way of finding the surface.”

John says

Do You Believe in Miracles

An excellent read written by Buck Storm. Could these events have happened or was it just the writer's imagination. Read.

Lucinda says

"Let go of the rope"

This book will take you places that you didn't even think about going..... it will make you take a good hard look at what you believe, and why. The setting is a small town, post WWII. A beautiful woman, mourning

the loss of her (home town hero) fiancé, a mysterious man with ties to both, a widow and the two men who want to catch her eye; namely a charismatic preacher and the police chief. Add an orphaned immigrant boy that wakes up in the widow's flowers, a Scripturally savvy blind man, and a plethora of the criminal element, now you have everything you need for some very good reading.

What is real? What is true? What is right? Put your faith in God, and just let go of the rope.

Phyllis Freeman says

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The main characters in this book are comfortable, down-home folk; but even in the town of Paradise, Arizona, ugliness raises its claws to destroy what is good.

Luke Hollis was the embodiment of law for the town. As chief of police, Luke kept an eye on everything and everyone around him. Most of all he kept both eyes on Ruby Brooks, the church organist.

Luke had stood up to some tough hombres but he had never faced evil like he was about to, cloaked in the garments of religion.

When miracles began to happen in Paradise, someone decided to exploit those who wanted a miracle.

Several people lost sight of what was the mission of the church and how far someone could detour from that mission. Greed and pride became close friends with the pastor and those influencing him. Good wars against evil, striving to bring the town back to normalcy. Evil is determined to win.

Storm not only tells an interesting story with believable characters, he weaves a mystery. Who is responsible for the miracles anyway? An enjoyable read and yet the story shows how gullible people can be even when lies abound.

Mitzi Ammons says

Breath of Fresh Air

This book grabbed me right off but I had it figured all wrong. There's so many good lessons, a who-done-it, a love story and a story about love. Just an enjoyable journey through these pages.

Diana says

A stranger appears in town and a miracle happens. Is it a coincidence? A preacher comes to "coach" the town's pastor but he seems evil. The sheriff gets his faith put to the test and finds it with the help of the mysterious stranger and a blind man. This book will make you laugh, and it will make you think, all in a comfortable read in a sleepy town. Great book!

Josephine says

Interesting

This is definitely a story... a fictional tale describing a clash between good and evil. I liked the descriptions of the little things, those extra tidbits of info that set for the mood. I liked the backstories and the unfolding thoughts of various characters. I do like stories that could be real, and someone gifted with healing who didn't even ask for it or is close to God is far-fetched, and also another character with such super insight, but then, it's a story. You get surprise twists along with an excellent description of how good got twisted for evil. Cleverly done. I really liked the courage of the hero and his personal thoughts. I liked all the good characters a lot, and also the redemption of one gone astray. The title is accurate...an unbelievable story of love, laughs, and redemption. Go ahead and enjoy it.
