

Redemption

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5*- Extremely Well-Written Story

“Redemption” is the third book in *The Kingdom* series by Tyler Svec and I must say it is an excellent story. I was not sure what to expect, as I had not read the first two books in this series, but I absolutely loved it and look forward to going back to read the previous books now.

“Redemption” is the story of the final battle between The Kingdom and The Alliance, and the excitement begins on the very first page and never lets go. Roy Van Doren, the leader of a very interesting group of Kingdom members, is in Vermont beginning a search for the third door between his world and the world on the other side. Having already found two of the three doors, Roy knows that in order for him, his family, and friends to find true peace (no matter which side of the doors they live on), this final door must be found, a war must be won, and the door must be destroyed. On the other side of the door, Alexander and his friend Gorro continue the search for Savannah, Alexander’s wife, who has been taken by the Alliance.

As these two quests continue, the Alliance and their leader Lucerine seek a final battle that will destroy their enemies and give them power over both worlds. Meanwhile all those who have chosen to side with the Kingdom are preparing to fight and restore peace. With some characters turning out not to be what they first seemed and some being even worse than we thought, the story brings readers to the final moment when one group or the other must emerge victorious.

I loved the world-building that the author put into this story. It is simply fabulous. Whether in the lovely state of Vermont checking into The Griff Inn or on the other side of the door flying some fascinating creature over the desolate plains, the reader is able to feel as if they are actually there with the characters. That, to me, makes the book such a fun one to read...being able to feel like I am really a part of it. The creatures and the different types of other world “technology” (for lack of a better word) that are used to fight are very interesting and add much to the story.

Given the numerous and very different characters, it is an extremely well-written story. With so much going on with the characters all the time, I was impressed that everything came through clearly and I understood all that was happening to everyone throughout the book. The characters, both good and bad, are very well-developed and hold the reader’s attention. The dialogue flows well and keeps the reader glued to the pages, anxious to see what is going to be said or done next.

Tyler Svec’s “Redemption” is a great book that I highly recommend to all fantasy fans out there. While I’m certain it would be beneficial to have read the first two books in the series, it is not a

necessity. Thanks to the author's wonderful brief synopsis of the first books at the beginning of this story, the reader will get the overall idea of what has happened and be able to thoroughly enjoy this final installment from there. I really enjoyed this story and I think you will too. 5 Stars!