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This Is Now: A Contemporary Christian Romance (Always Faithful Book 2)



Synopsis

From a USA Today Bestselling author comes the second book in the Always Faithful series. Widowed for nearly a year, Janie Stroud is lost. All she can do is take each day as it comes. Every smile, each peel of laughter, the rare days without tears "all give her hope of one day finding a new normal, whatever that may be. Can normal even exist for a twenty-five-year-old widow? After a tragic helicopter crash claims Mike Stroud's life in the final weeks of a deployment, Evan Jergens takes seriously his vow to look after Janie, Mike's widow. He considers her a second sister, and he'd do all he could to make her life better in the aftermath of Mike's death. Over time, their feelings shift from friendship to something more, but neither wants to love. Evan sees himself as a cripple with little to offer as a husband and is eaten by guilt for falling in love with his best friend's widow. Janie's afraid to love again and set herself up for the risks that come with it. What will it take to break through their barriers and live in the present? This can be read as a standalone or after That Was Then, Book One of the Always Faithful Series.

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Customer Reviews

Friends becoming 'more'. So cute! The author, Leah Atwood, said she'd been waiting to tell this story for 2 years. I was waiting, too. :-) What a sweet story! You can't really go wrong with a Leah Atwood story, can you? Sweet. Clean. Inspirational. Full of faith and the hope of restoration, and finding love - again. So GOOD to meet up with sweet friends from a couple of other books/series. Yeah, Bryce and Sophie Landry, Luke and Kate Tatum! So glad I found this author's books a couple of years ago and I've pretty much read them all. Plus, I love the audio versions, listening to them over and over again. Never yet regretted reading a story by Mrs. Atwood.

A must read!!!!

Very moving!

Loved it! I love a good love st!

Janie Stroud, twenty-five years old, has been widowed for nearly a year takes each day as it comes. Each day with a smile, each peel of laughter, and each day without tears give her hope of one day having a new normal and moving forward. Her husband, Mike, was killed in a tragic helicopter crash in the final weeks of deployment, Evan Jergens considers her a second sister, and he'd takes seriously his vow to Mike to take care of Janie. He's willing to do all he can to make her life better. Then their feelings change from friendship to something more, but neither wants to fall in love. Evan sees himself as a cripple with little to offer as a husband. He is eaten by guilt for falling in love with his best friend's widow. Janie's afraid to love again and set herself up for the risks that come with it. Can there be a new normal for Janie? What will it take to break through the realization that despite all they can do, their love is not going away? I loved the characters and plot. I receive complimentary books for review from publishers, publicists, and/or authors. I am not required to write positive reviews. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255.

Evan and Janie's story is one of love and loss. It's second chances and new beginnings. It's friends to more. Most of all it's letting God choose your path. It's never giving up even when you feel you can't go on. The family dynamics are fun to see play out as well. I would love to give this sweet Christian book even more than five stars. This book is part of a series and I strongly recommend that you read That was Then because it too is an amazing story. However This is Now can be read

as a stand alone.

This Is Now by Leah Atwood is Book 2 in the Always Faithful series. The story is a excellent addition to the series. I loved the book & really enjoyed reading it!!! In Book 1, we read about how a member of the team, Mike, was killed in action. This story is about his widow, Janie & Evan. It is the one year anniversary of his death & Janie is feeling a lot like her self again. She has had the support of 3 team members of Mike's, Wyatt, Evan & Jared. Janie is willing to do more now. She joins her good friend, Evan & his family for Christmas. Then Christmas night, they kiss. Can Janie & Evan admit their feelings have changed for each other & have a future together? I can't wait to read Jared's story!! A MUST READ FOR EVERYONE!!!

This is a beautiful story about, loss, love and second chances. I love the characters and story line. The verses about seeking The Lord because he will provide and not to worry, resonated with me. I recommend this book to those who love Christian romance.

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