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A Noble Knight...

Once, Lady Alissende de Montague and Sir Damien de Ashby were passionate, secret lovers -- until the day Alissende had to turn her back on him, shattering both their hearts and changing their lives forever. Knowing he would never love another, Damien cast off all earthly concerns to dedicate his life to the Templar Knights. But now, his life endangered, he is thrust back into a world he'd left behind...coming face-to-face with the proud beauty who'd once spurned him.

A Wicked Promise...

Alissende will use her influence to save the man she still loves in exchange for his protection from the detestable, powerful earl bent on claiming her. It is a perilous bargain, forcing Damien to reunite with the one woman who could make him reject his vows for the temptations of the flesh. For their love rekindled will only burn deeper, threatening to consume them in the flames of dangerous intrigue and forbidden desires...

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### Kathryn Mooers says

Plenty of romance mixed with just the right amount of humor. Even my husband enjoyed this one (which is rare considering he does not care for romance books). For anyone looking for a good historical romance novel that will stick with you, this is it. Very hard to put down!

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### Monique Takens says

Dit boek is in het Nederlands vertaald verschenen:Een huwelijk als redding - Candlelight Historische roman 746 .

Geen slecht verhaal maar toch heb ik hele stukken tekst overgeslagen omdat deze auteur de neiging heeft om te lang over gevoelens en gedachten door te gaan waardoor het voor mij te langdradig wordt . Dus .. gewoon overslaan en verder lezen waar weer wat gebeurt .

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### Elaine says

I can't believe the low ratings for this book. If you like this era of history this is a good book.

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### Zenei says

The book started off pretty good as most books do, despite the fact that I am not particularly fond of the picture of the hero on the cover (seems young and sort of soft) so I had to kind of block that out and try to picture him differently. Luckily the author manages to make him seem strong and at least in the beginning, gives him a sense of personality. The heroine also started off pretty good. I was able to get a sense of who she was. However, the author's phrasing was inconsistent. Good at times but very contrived at others. When she was on though, she was reminiscent of Marsha Canham or Kathleen Woodiwiss. But then it started to get a bit irritating. The way both the hero and heroine could barely contain themselves through the charade of a wedding I thought, was sort of ridiculous. This is a Templar Knight who had been highly trained and who had withstood torture for a year! And now he can barely control himself just looking at the heroine? Ok. Catch me in the right mood and I'll fall for anything... The author spends too much time, pages and pages on how the heroine drove the hero to complete distraction where he could think of nothing else. This was a bit much for me. I mean I got the point after the first few paragraphs. You really have to wonder how he was ever able to stay celibate while a Templar. And I also did not like the fact that the book started out with them reuniting from five years ago. It was like reading a sequel when you had not read the first book yet. She tells you about it in retrospect but you don't get to read it as it happens. You really don't get the details of why the heroine rejected him until later on in the book. When an author skips ahead and then tells you about what happened in past tense, well this has always been a pet peeve for me and this author does that a lot. Another thing that bothered me was the way all the characters and circumstance were as expected or happened as expected. The very definition of contrived. An example would be the confrontation in the practice yard with one of the men the hero was training. The way in which the author portrayed this guy as a typical bully and then did a total about face after the sparring fight. This was a bit pretentious to me. I found myself skimming over pages because nothing interesting was going on besides the hero's barely uncontrollable lust. And this

got old quickly. However it started to get interesting again when the bad guy showed up. But he was kind of typical and predictable too though. I began to notice that when the story started to become more interesting, the skill of the actual writing seems to suffer somewhat. It was sort of like the author got caught up in the action of what was going on with the tournament and all, and then seem to sacrifice creativity, prose and depth. Another thing was that even though this is a book on medieval romance about a Templar Knight, there really isn't much history here. I mean there just wasn't much of a story surrounding the romance. I guess that is a matter of taste though. Some people like the emphasis of a historical romance to be on the romance and I prefer that the history, time, place and atmosphere play a prominent albeit natural part of the romance. When I think of books like "On a Highland Shore, Clandara and Highland Rose with its rich history and highly developed main and secondary characters... I don't know. I just don't get that from this book. Good but just not one I would read again.

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### **Vmontgzz says**

Termine de leer Los Pecados del Placer de Mary Reed McCall y me gusto, nunca habia leido nada de templarios y esta bien, me parecio algo mas real la forma en que la autora explica la forma en que ellos se separaron, ella era muy joven y simplemente se asusto de lo que se le podria venir encima, la mayoria de las veces en los libros de estos temas te ponen a la chicas de 17 años muy maduras y la verdad es dificil creerselo pero bueno son ficcion, asi que al leer este es mas facil entender porque actuo asi la protagonista y como ahora despues de 5 años y de haber vivido y sufrido por su decision es una persona mas madura. Aunque a ratos me mareaba con tanto deseo contenido de parte de ambos protagonistas, eso de que se morian de ganas de ponerse las manos encima pero ninguno lo hacia. Y me gusto que ella no es de las que simplemente cae rendida a sus brazos, la parte en que despues de que el se la pasa coqueteandole mientras la enseña defensa personal y la deja totalmente frustrada despues de cada cesion, ella entonces decide seguir el consejo de su madre y le paga con la misma moneda y lo toma desprevenido y luego le cambia el juego me encanto.

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