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Rise (The Oneness Cycle Book 5)



Synopsis

The war for truth rages across the centuries in this page-turning, suspenseful Christian fantasy on the border between earth and spirit. When the battle with the hive ended in flames, the village Oneness expected to pick up life where they left off. But fire does not leave anyone unscathed. Haunted by images and desperate to know the truth about her destiny, April wrestles with inner demons that threaten to cut her off from those she loves most. Meanwhile, Andrew Hunter faces life with a wife and daughter he does not know—a wife whose resurrection has made her more than a stranger to him. Six hundred years before, Teresa is equally embattled as questions of life, death, and revelation bring her to the edge of the greatest war of all: the war for humanity's soul. As their stories converge, the Oneness across the ages must press into the Spirit they hardly know, with only one certain promise: From the ashes, truth will rise. *RISE* is the fifth book in The Oneness Cycle, an urban fantasy series of spiritual warfare novels. If you love page-turning suspense, heart-pounding plotting, and fiction that unveils truth, this series is for you. Warning: The Oneness Cycle will make you think, challenge your perceptions of the world around you, and call you to take your place in the battle of good vs evil. Not for the faint of heart! Buy *RISE* and enter the fight!

Life-Changing, Inspirational Christian Fiction: From the Author Hey, my name is Rachel Starr Thomson. I love Jesus and believe wholeheartedly in the power of fiction to change our lives. While nonfiction may teach us something, fiction allows us to experience it. When we're experiencing truth, beauty, struggle, and triumph, we find our lives enriched and deepened by what we read. That's why I write. I want my readers to discover depths of truth about themselves, about the world, and about God that stretch and inspire them. My stories are always clean, but I don't shy away from hard questions and honest characters. Whoever you are, I believe in you. I believe your life has immeasurable worth. I believe you were personally handcrafted by a loving Creator with a vision and purpose for your life. I believe your struggles, your dreams, and your hurts matter. I believe you walk a path no one else does, one that is intended to benefit the world. I hope you'll enjoy what you read and come back for more. Most of all, I hope that through my stories, you'll forge a new depth of connection with the God who loves you.

Genre-Bending Christian Fiction: Biblical, Historical, Suspense, Fantasy, Paranormal, Visionary—Always Lyrical, Always Christian, Always Changing the Game. Readers would be forgiven for asking what genre exactly Rachel Starr Thomson writes. Her work is described as spiritual, visionary, biblical, fantasy—and literary, poetic, and anchored in the real world. Always a clean read, her books are suitable for teens but have the depth, beauty, and characterization to keep adults riveted. They include: *The Seventh World Trilogy* (*Worlds Unseen*, *Burning Light*, *Coming Day*): Classic Christian fantasy in the style of C.S. Lewis.

Great for teens & all readers of inspirational fiction. The Prophet Trilogy (Abaddonâ€™s Eve, Comes the Dragon, Beloved): Best described as biblical historical fantasy. Set in a world based on ancient Israel, these books follow four believers in a time when judgment is coming. The Oneness Cycle (Exile, Hive, Attack, Renegade, Rise): Readers call them spiritual warfare fiction. Theyâ€™re Christian urban fantasy, paranormal, suspense novelsâ”but theyâ€™re also real world in their impact. If youâ€™ve ever wondered about your place in the battle of good vs evil, this series is the place to start. Warning: These novels will challenge your perception of the world. Not for the faint of heart! And standalone novels TAERITH, ANGEL IN THE WOODS, LADY MOON, & more. Conti

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Customer Reviews

I admit that I was excited to begin this book but apprehensive to finish it. Endings are one of the hardest things to get right. After spending so much time within The Oneness Cycle this past week (four books in one week!), I was afraid the ending would fall flat of my hopes. Happily, my fears were unnecessary. This book splits it's attention between the modern characters featured in the previous books and characters from medieval times. The book begins in an abbey where the

sisters--members of the Oneness--battle a deathly plague with compassion and love. In their midst is a young woman with the gift of painting. Theresa's art comes from the Spirit and has power that she herself does not understand. That power draws an enemy--a wolf in sheep's clothing. In modern day, the coastal Oneness cell seeks to heal and grow from the battles they have endured. The Spirit is revealing Himself to them in ways they never imagined. Still baffled by the way she has been chosen for greatness, April wrestles with the fire birthed within her. She struggles to trust the Spirit. She and the others must seek to know the One who dwells within them, for He is one to be known intimately and fully, and in knowing they will find peace and joy and the fullness of the Oneness they are part of.

Read the entire series. I am not an easily captivated reader and I read through these books almost faster than I could download them. Each book transitioned nicely into the next. Interesting perspective on Spiritual Warfare. I wouldn't have minded a little more detail on one of the stories at the end of this fifth book, but it didn't leave me feeling like I was hanging without answers. I simply wasn't ready for the series to be over so more detail and a few more chapters would have been perfectly fine with me. Overall, great series to read. No bad language in any of the books. Spiritual Warfare is a deep, often dark, heavy subject so if younger kids are wanting to read it I would recommend a parent reading them first to determine if their particular child can "handle" and process the subject. A+ in my book!

This is so good that I read the whole series in one week. It is well worth your time to read it. Some times series lose direction but for this series the conclusion was engaging and a satisfying end to characters I came to enjoy.

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