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## McDonough's "Sarah's surrender" (Book Review)

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- To develop positive, knowledgeable, and confident self-identity within a cultural context.
- To demonstrated comfortable, empathetic interaction with diversity among people.
- To think critically about “bias.”
- To stand up for oneself and others in the face of bias.

This is an excellent book that can be used by parents, teachers, church leaders, and others wishing to learn more about living in a culturally diverse society.

**Reviewer**

W.Terry Martin, Louisiana College

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McDonough, V. (2016). *Sarah's surrender*. Uhrichville, OH: Shiloh Run Press. 318 pp. \$14.99. ISBN 9781628369533

*Sarah's Surrender* is Vickie McDonough's third book in her historical series *Land Rush Dreams*. Set in 1901, the story revolves around Sarah Worley, a young woman who has had a very tumultuous upbringing, and so has a hard time trusting or surrendering – surrendering to God, to her feelings, to the past, and to the future. Consequently, when her best friend, Luke McNeil, declares his love for her she is conflicted and decides to venture out on her own by competing for land in the Oklahoma Territory land lottery. She is certain that owning her own home, on her own land, and doing so by herself will fulfill all of her dreams. But what of Luke and his professed love for her? Does she even know what real love is? Can Luke be trusted with her heart and her future? Is her independence more important to her than stepping out in faith and trusting? Sarah has many setbacks on her journey to independence but keeps going forward with determination and grit.

**Reviewer**

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Allen, J.K. (Ed.). (2016). *The SBC and the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. Nashville, TN: B&H Academic. 269 pp. \$29.99. ISBN 9781433644399

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