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Eason's "Code of valor" (book review)

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Book Reviews



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This is a hard book to classify. This book follows the general romance formula; the hero and heroine fall in love, one or both parties of had bad relationships in the past, the hero saves the heroine (in this case more than once), and they lived happily ever after at the end. This book has potential to be a self-help book but those sub plots are not well developed such as how a woman who does not have societal perfect body negatively perceives themselves and how to overcome this. It does start to address how to overcome this but the author concentrates more on developing the action and all the plot twists. The book also talks about incorporating God into one's life, this too is not well developed. The heroine is a strong character with a lot of resilience, has learned from her past, level headed under pressure, and has an incredible faith in God but still has to be saved from evil by a man (in this case a flawed police officer). There are other strong female characters such a doctor, female police chief, a reporter and a canine officer but none of these characters add much to the plot. The police procedures and some situations seem hard to believe at times. The reader does learn about scuba diving. This book is fast paced and has so many unexpected turns. This is a story you have to read cover to cover or you will miss something. Due to the romantic overtones, this book is targeted towards women rather than men. This is a Christian book so there is no strong language and there is no graphic sex or gore in this book but a lot of people do die in this book. This author has won many awards including three *American Christian Fiction Writers awards*.

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