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Book Reviews



Ferrell, M. (2016). *Rebel horse rescue*. White Salmon, WA: Mountain Brook Ink. 207 pp. \$8.99. ISBN 9781943959143

Rebel Horse Rescue is book 5 of the *Horses and Friends Series* by Miralee Ferrell, who has also written numerous Christian western romance novels. The main character in this series is 13-year-old Kate, a horse-loving girl in a Christian family. In this book she and her friends Tori, Colt, Melissa, and Jake set out to solve several mysteries.

Kate's friends are a variety of ages and personalities, and her 6-year-old brother is autistic with a gift for making friends with animals. The children come from a variety of backgrounds which include divorce, bullying brothers, and families going through economic difficulties. They support each other, they learn to deal with anger and forgiveness, and they learn to trust God even when things don't go the way they want them to.

I enjoyed reading this book. It has a good story line with good characters who have messy lives. It would appeal to pre-teen and young teen girls who love horses, and provide a good starting point for conversations about tough real-life situations. At the end of the book there is a section called "Secrets for your Diary" with questions for readers to think about, and notes from "Kate" about what she should have done differently or what she learned.

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