

## Her Lovestruck Lord Wicked Husbands Book 2

A staid duke Heath, the Duke of Devonshire, has been living a passionless life of penance after losing the woman he loved. Determined to do his duty, he's in search of an innocent bride with a sterling reputation. A bride who's nothing at all like Tia, Lady Stokey. A bold lady The Duke of Devonshire may be handsome, but he's as boring as a bowl of porridge. Or so Tia thinks until he carries her to her chamber and undoes half her buttons while kissing her senseless. A decadent desire The moment he scoops the delectable Tia into his arms, Heath wants her in his bed, and he'll stop at nothing to have her there. When they unleash the scandal of the century, they must face consequences that are deeper and far more dangerous to their hearts than either of them imagined. Will they find love, or was the reckless need between them doomed from the start?

When a woman with brains and beauty from a wealthy background decides to take her fate into her own hands and challenge the restrictions of a male-oriented, conservative society, the consequences can be devastating. Born into one of Pakistan's most influential families, Gigi Rowland has designs of its own.... To all of London society, Lord and Lady Tremaine had the ideal arrangement: a marriage based on civility, courteousness, and freedom—by all accounts, a perfect marriage. The reason? For the last ten years, husband and wife have resided on separate continents. But once upon a time, things were quite different for the Tremaines.... When Gigi Rowland first laid eyes on Camden Saybrook, the attraction was immediate and overwhelming. But what began in a spark of passion ended in betrayal the morning after their wedding—and now Gigi wants to be free to marry again. When Camden returns from America with an outrageous demand in exchange for her freedom, Gigi's decision will have consequences she never imagined, as secrets are exposed, desire is rekindled—and one of London's most admired couples must either fall in love all over again...or let each other go forever.

When the battle-scarred Earl of Hawkhurst, whom she has loved since girlhood, returns to England from his self-imposed exile to make a marriage of convenience, Lady Skye Wilde sets out to prove to him that she is the only woman for him. Original. 125,000 first printing. "A widow with secrets. When the dangerous men who killed her husband in a political assassination threaten Ara, Duchess of Burghly, the Crown assigns her a bodyguard. But the man charged with protecting her is no stranger. He's Clayton Ludlow, the bastard son of a duke and the first man she ever loved. Eight years after he took her innocence and ruthlessly abandoned her, he's back in her drawing room and her life. This time, she's older, wiser, and stronger. She will resist him at any cost and make him pay for the past. A spy with a broken heart. She's the only woman Clay ever loved and the one he hates above all others. When Ara brutally betrayed and deceived him, leaving him with a scarred face and a bitter heart, he devoted himself to earning his reputation as one of the Crown's most feared agents. He wants nothing more than to finish his assignment so that he can remove all traces of her from his life forever. But walking away from her for good won't be as easy as he thinks. As secrets are revealed and danger threatens Ara, Clay discovers that the truth is far more complicated than deceit. Once she's back in his arms where she belongs, he'll wage the biggest fight of all to keep her there." -- back cover

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A leading authority on abusive relationships offers women detailed guidelines on how to improve and survive an abusive relationship, discussing various types of abusive men, analyzing societal myths surrounding abuse, and answers questions about the warning signs of abuse, how to identify abusive behavior, how to know if one is in danger, and more. Reprint.

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Do you know what "quatrefoil" and "impolitic" mean? What about "halcyon" or "narcolepsy"? This book is a handy, easy-to-read reference guide to the proper parlance for any situation. In this book you will find: Words You Absolutely Should Know (covert, exonerate, perimeter); Words You Should Know But Probably Don't (dour, incendiary, scintilla); Words Most People Don't Know (schlimazel, thaumaturgy, epergne); Words You Should Know to Sound Overeducated (ad infinitum, nugatory, garrulity); Words You Probably Shouldn't Know (priapic, damnatory, labia majora); and more. Whether writing an essay, studying for a test, or trying to impress friends, family, and fellow cocktail party guests with their prolixity, you will achieve magniloquence, ebullience, and flights of rhetorical brilliance.

Richard Downing may be a viscount of impeccable character, but he's bored beyond belief of dancing at balls, faking smiles, and making dull conversation. So when he stumbles upon a housemaid with defiance in her striking blue eyes and a dagger hidden in her skirts...well, color him intrigued. Raised with a rather...peculiar upbringing, Lady Victoria Daring is full of secrets and surprises. As part of His Majesty's personal homeland spy organization and as a master of disguises, Vic is charged with infiltrating high society to uncover the enemies hiding in plain sight. But Richard is the first man to see through her disguises—and infiltrate deep into her heart. Too bad his family is at the top of her list of suspects...

Devotion turns deadly in this second Gothic thriller from Printz Honor-winner Kenneth Oppel that is "every bit as thrilling and engaging" (VOYA) as *This Dark Endeavor*. When does obsession become madness? Tragedy has forced sixteen-year-old Victor Frankenstein to swear off alchemy forever. He burns the Dark Library. He vows he will never dabble in the dark sciences again—just as he vows he will no longer covet Elizabeth, his brother's betrothed. If only these things were not so tempting. When he and Elizabeth discover a portal into the spirit world, they cannot resist. Together with Victor's twin, Konrad, and their friend Henry, the four venture into a place of infinite possibilities where power and passion reign. But as they search for the knowledge to raise the dead, they unknowingly unlock a darkness from which they may never return.

Beautiful Deborah Grantham, mistress of her aunt's elegant gaming house, must find a way to restore herself and her aunt to respectability, preferably without accepting either of two repugnant offers. One is from an older, very rich and rather corpulent lord whose reputation for licentious behavior disgusts her; the other from the young, puppyish scion of a noble family whose relatives are convinced she is a fortune hunter. Max Ravenscar, uncle to her young suitor, comes to buy her off, an insult so scathing that it leads to a volley of passionate reprisals, escalating between them to a level of flair and fury that can only have one conclusion... "My favourite historical novelist—stylish, romantic, sharp, and witty. Her sense of period is superb, her heroines are enterprising, and her heroes dashing. I owe her many happy hours." -Margaret Drabble "Georgette Heyer is unbeatable." - Sunday Telegraph "Sparkling." -Independent on Sunday "A writer of great wit and style...I've read her books to ragged shreds." -Kate Fenton, Daily Telegraph

After a wild weekend of passion on a business trip, Claire discovers she's pregnant with her boss's baby. It wouldn't be such a big deal-if Logan wasn't the world's most arrogant jerk. She decides to keep the pregnancy a secret, even if it means losing her job. It doesn't take long for Logan to realize what's going on and he isn't happy Claire tried to hide the truth. To make matters worse, he and Claire can't seem to agree on anything other than the insane attraction that keeps sparking between them. One minute they can't stand to be in the same room and the next, they can't keep their hands to themselves. Even as their mutual attraction heats up, both are determined to guard their hearts. Claire can't make sense of Logan's hot-then-cold personality and Logan wants more from Claire than she's willing to give. Just when they begin meeting each other halfway, outside interference threatens to tear them apart forever.

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**BONUS:** This edition contains a Captive Queen discussion guide and an excerpt from *The Lady Elizabeth*. Nearing her thirtieth birthday, Eleanor of Aquitaine has spent the past dozen frustrating years as wife to the pious King Louis VII of France. But when Henry of Anjou, the young and dynamic future king of England, arrives at the French court, he and the seductive Eleanor experience a mutual passion powerful enough to ignite the world. Indeed, after the annulment of Eleanor's marriage to Louis and her remarriage to Henry, the union of this royal couple creates a vast empire that stretches from the Scottish border to the Pyrenees—and marks the beginning of the celebrated Plantagenet dynasty. But Henry and Eleanor's marriage, charged with physical heat, begins a fiery downward spiral marred by power struggles and bitter betrayals. Amid the rivalries and infidelities, the couple's rebellious sons grow impatient for power, and the scene is set for a vicious and tragic conflict that will threaten to engulf them all.

1685, Scottish Highlands Cat Campbell knows all about Nathaniel Worthington, fifth Viscount of Lincolnshire. The determined Englishman is never far from Finlarig Castle, where his sisters train women to do more than read and write. And thanks to the fiery kiss they shared nearly a year ago he is never far from her thoughts. No one ever trained her how to forget an irresistible man. Nathaniel knows he should keep his distance from the fierce Scottish lass, but when an urgent letter from Queen Catherine calls Cat to London, he can't resist volunteering to escort her. The tension between the two has simmered for months, but the long journey in close quarters creates a raging wildfire that could burn them both. Secrets of their past and the treachery lurking at court put both their future together and their very lives at risk. Each book in *The Campbells* series is **STANDALONE**: \* *The Scottish Rogue* \* *The Savage Highlander* \* *The Wicked Viscount* \* *The Highland Outlaw*

Millicent understands the terms of her arranged marriage all too well. She gets to be a Countess by marrying an impoverished Earl. And in return, the Earl Fitzhugh receives the benefit of her vast wealth, saving his family from bankruptcy. Because of her youth, they have agreed to wait eight years before consummating the marriage--and then, only to beget an heir. After which, they will lead separate lives. It is a most sensible arrangement. Except for one little thing. Somehow Millie has fallen head over heels in love with her husband. Her husband, who has become her very best friend, but nothing more...Her husband, who plans to reunite with his childhood sweetheart, the beautiful and newly widowed Isabella, as soon as he has honored the pact with his wife... As the hour they truly become husband-and-wife draws near, both Millie and Fitzhugh must face the truth in their hearts. Has their pact bred only a great friendship--or has it, without either of them quite noticing, given rise to a great love?

Rescued by ruin American heiress Daisy Vanreid is desperate to avoid marriage to the aging aristocrat her abusive father chose for her. She'll do anything, even entrap the notorious Duke of Trent into marriage, to escape her fate. Losing her heart to her handsome husband after the wedding isn't part of the plan. Nothing is as it seems An elite spy, Sebastian, the Duke of Trent, is on a mission to unravel bomb plots in England's cities. Forced to wed Daisy as part of his cover, he has no intention of falling in love with a woman suspected of treason. But he's drawn to the feisty beauty he married, and he can't deny the way she makes him feel, even though he knows she could be the enemy he seeks. Duty versus love As danger strikes, Sebastian must choose between Daisy and his loyalty to the Crown. And when Daisy discovers the truth at last, will she ever forgive him?

Book One in an exciting new Regency Historical Romance series from bestselling author Scarlett Scott...A duke with demons and a governess with secrets collide in this passionate tale! Crispin Ashforth returns from battle the newly inherited Duke of Whitley with two sisters under his charge. Publicly lauded as a hero, he is haunted by the bitter mission

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that nearly saw him killed and cost the life of his best friend. He's desperate to drown out the demons tormenting him by any means, regardless of how depraved. All he needs to do is find a proper governess for his hellion sisters so he can drink and wench himself into oblivion. Enter Miss Jacinda Turnbow, who is as lovely as she is prickly. It doesn't take Crispin long to realize he's found precisely the sort of distraction he needs in the prim governess. But Jacinda has secrets of her own, and she's no ordinary governess. To save herself and her father from ruin, she has agreed to infiltrate the duke's home and search for evidence that he's a traitor. Resisting his advances grows more difficult by the day, however, as she discovers there's more to Crispin than the careless life of sin he's cultivated. And the greatest danger she faces is losing her heart to the man she has no choice but to betray. Purchase or read for FREE in Kindle Unlimited!

What you believe about God actually changes your brain. Psychiatrist Tim Jennings unveils how our brains and bodies thrive when we have a healthy understanding of who God is. This expanded edition now includes a study guide to help you discover how neuroscience and Scripture come together to bring healing and transformation to our lives.

Devereaux Winter is one of the wealthiest men in England, but he hails from a notorious family. The Wicked Winters are as reviled as they are renowned. He is desperate to find a wife of good breeding so he can begin the Herculean task of seeing his siblings settled. Fortunately for him, the duke next door's wits are addled. Even more fortunate? The duke's only daughter is a beautiful spinster. Lady Emilia King has sworn off love and vowed to remain unwed. When the brutish Mr. Winter wins her ailing father's unentailed assets in a game of chance, she is aghast. Upon hearing his requirement for forgiving her father's debt, she is outraged. She has no intention of marrying the villain and sponsoring his wild sisters in their seasons. But Dev always gets what he wants, and Lady Emilia is about to discover what he wants more than anything is her. Far more astonishing, she just may want him too... Wicked in Winter is the first in a new steamy Regency series about the Wicked Winter family! Length: Novella Heat Level: Scorching Hot

Offers wives instructions on how to pray for their husbands in practical, life-changing ways, identifying sixteen landmarks to effectively cover husbands in prayer and offering a thirty-day guide that features Scriptures and prayers. Lady Jo Danvers has declared war on her humdrum life. Armed with a list of ways to be wicked, she will step out of her role as never-been-kissed wallflower and experience passion. With the right gentleman, of course. She just has to find him. Mr. Elijah Decker, the handsome businessman she cannot stop thinking about, is definitely no gentleman. And he is decidedly all wrong. Unfortunately for Jo, she has unwittingly given him her list. When Decker discovers Jo's list mistakenly tucked between the pages of a pamphlet for the Lady's Suffrage Society, he is intrigued. And after she realizes her error and storms his office demanding he return it, Decker agrees on one condition: that she accept his aid in crossing off each scandalous act. What begins as a lark quickly sizzles into something deeper and unexpected. But

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Decker's dark side may tear them apart before Jo's sinful quest is complete...

She married him for his title...Maggie, Marchioness of Sandhurst, is trapped in a loveless marriage of convenience. Her husband refused to consummate their union, and she hasn't seen him in over a year. But she has a plan to win back her freedom. All she needs to do is create the scandal of the century.He married her for her fortune...Simon, the Marquis of Sandhurst, vowed he'd never touch the wife he didn't want. When he seeks pleasure in the arms of a masked siren at a wicked country house party, he's shocked to discover the woman in question is actually his marchioness.Will their marriage of convenience become a love match?As the truth unravels, husband and wife are estranged no longer, spending their days and nights exploring the desire burning hot between them. But when Simon's past comes back to haunt them both, their newfound happiness could be forever dashed.

Sometimes a lady needs a hero who is willing to break the rules in order to save her. Sophia Babineaux has landed a husband! And a good one at that! Lord Harold, the second son of a duke, is kind, gentle, undemanding. Perhaps a little too undemanding? Because after one chance encounter with skilled rake, Captain Devlin Brooks, it is glaringly obvious that something is missing between Lord Harold and herself... passion... sizzle... well... everything. And marriage is forever! Will her parents allow her to reconsider? Absolutely not. War hero, Devlin Brookes, is ready to marry and thinks Sophia Babineaux might be the one. One itsy bitsy problem: she's engaged to his cousin, Harold. But Devlin knows the truth about his cousin and damned if Harold hasn't been coerced into this betrothal by his manipulative father, the Duke of Prescott—a man who always gets what he wants. Devlin, Sophia and Harold conspire to thwart the duke's wishes but fail to consider a few vital, unintended consequences. Will fate step aside for these two soulmates, or will it punish them forever for daring to claim their happily ever after? An epic romance for two people willing to go through hell for one another... in a hand basket, of course. To Hell in a Hand Basket is Book 2 in Annabelle Anders' wildly popular Devilish Debutantes' Series.

From the author of the wildly popular bestseller *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens* comes the go-to guide that helps teens cope with major challenges they face in their lives—now updated for today's social media age. In this newly revised edition, Sean Covey helps teens figure out how to approach the six major challenges they face: gaining self-esteem, dealing with their parents, making friends, being wise about sex, coping with substances, and succeeding at school and planning a career. Covey understands the pain and confusion that teens and their parents experience in the face of these weighty, life-changing, and common difficulties. He shows readers how to use the 7 Habits to cope with, manage, and ultimately conquer each challenge—and become happier and more productive. Now updated for the digital and social media age, Covey covers how technology affects these six decisions, keeping the information and advice relevant to

today's teenagers.

Midnight Alpha is the fourth, and full-length novel in USA Today Bestselling author Carole Mortimer's SCORCHING HOT new ALPHA series. Sizzling contemporary romance with an added dash of danger. Stories of dark and compelling ALPHA men, who are used to taking what they want when they want it, and the strong and determined women who have no intention of being taken. Unless it's on their own terms... Gregori Markovic recently became the head of the Russian family that rules London's criminal underworld. Aged in his mid-thirties some considered him too young for the position. Not any more, he has already been tried and tested, and more than proved himself worthy. Gaia Miller is looking for the man responsible for the death of her sister, and she doesn't mind putting herself in danger if it means finding that man. Going to work at Utopia, one of the exclusive nightclubs and casinos owned by Gregori Markovic, gives her the perfect opportunity to find him and ensure that he pays for his crime. Even if that man should turn out to be Gregori Markovic himself. Cold and remote, Gregori finds the ice he keeps about his emotions begins to melt from his very first momentous meeting with Gaia Miller, as he is drawn to her warmth and passion in a way he never has been with any other woman. Suspicious of Gregori Markovic's involvement in her sister's death, Gaia hadn't expected him to be quite as devastatingly handsome or so powerfully imposing. Or to find herself irresistibly drawn to the sharp edge of danger that surrounds him. As different as night and day, and with so many secrets standing between them, the two nevertheless can't seem to stay away from each other, or to resist every opportunity to explore the depths of that attraction. Wherever that passion might take them. But Gregori has already made enemies, one powerful enemy in particular. A man who will stop at nothing to make Gregori suffer in the same way he's suffered, by taking someone from him that he cares about. He sees Gregori's deepening involvement with Gaia Miller as the perfect way to exact that revenge. Author Note—the novellas and full-length novels in the ALPHA series have sexier situations and stronger language than my other books.

The Bible has a way of shocking us. If Americans could still blush, we might blush at the words, "Rejoice in the wife of your youth, a lovely deer, a graceful doe. Let her breasts fill you at all times with delight; be intoxicated always in her love" (Proverbs 5:18-19). But, of course, sin always tries to trash God's gifts. So we can't just celebrate sex for what God made it to be; we have to fight what sin turned it into. The contributors to this unique volume encourage you to do both: celebrate and struggle. This book has something for all-men and women, married and single—from contributors like John Piper, C. J. and Carolyn Mahaney, Mark Dever, Al Mohler, Carolyn McCulley, and others. This book is about the bold, beautiful, and faithful heroines of the Greek novels and their mythical models, such as Iphigenia, Phaedra, Penelope, and Helen. The novels manipulate readerly expectations through a complex web of mythical variants and constantly negotiate their adventure and erotic plot with that of traditional myths becoming, thus, part of the imperial mythical revision to which they add the prospect of a happy ending.

After a traumatic illness robs her of her looks, Rose Davenport has little expectation of making a good marriage—until her feckless father, Miles, unexpectedly brokers a dazzling match for her with the heir to the Earl of Stanhope. Unfortunately, the marriage doesn't live up to her hopes. Instead of the kindly bridegroom she's expecting, Rose gets a sullen young husband who can barely stand to look at her. Gil Truman is in love with the beautiful Tilly when his father informs him that he must instead marry plain, sickly Rose. Forced to agree to the marriage to recover the family fortune his father lost to Miles Davenport in a game of cards, Gil is bitter and heartbroken. Their wretched wedding trip ends with him abandoning Rose at his remote Northumbrian estate, intending never to return. After five years of exile, Rose loses patience

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and travels to London to make a bid at seducing her errant, faithless husband. But their first encounter at a masked ball changes everything. When Rose learns the secret truth of how Gil was blackmailed into their marriage, her appetite for revenge dissolves. It's too late to turn back, though. Their night of passion has had consequences that force Rose to confront Gil again. Gil's discovery that the lovely, masked stranger he fell for is none other than his own wife, leaves him feeling sick and betrayed. As for Rose, she has deep wounds of her own from years of Gil's neglect. With such unpromising beginnings, can Rose and Gil make any kind of life together? Or are some wrongs too painful to ever be forgiven?

The lives of two sisters--Nettie, a missionary in Africa, and Celie, a southern woman married to a man she hates--are revealed in a series of letters exchanged over thirty years

Everyone in society knows that the marriage of Lord and Lady Hammond is an unhappy one. Everyone knows they have barely spoken to one another in over nine years. But what no-one in society knows are the reasons why ... Lady Viola Courtland was a romantic and impulsive young girl when she fell instantly in love with the handsome and dashing Viscount Hammond. Unbeknownst to Viola, John Hammond had already given his heart to the only woman he would ever love—his cousin's wife—but he was in dire financial straits and desperately needed to marry a wealthy heiress. In Viola, he thought he had found the perfect woman—beautiful and rich with a sweet nature. But Viola was neither practical nor sensible when it came to marriage, for she fully expected her husband to love her and was determined to settle for nothing less. Soon, however, John's secret was unwittingly revealed, but by then they were married and it was too late. Until one day, John finally came to his senses and prayed it wasn't too late to win back the love of his very own wife.

Praised as "exuberantly engaging" by the Los Angeles Times and a "beautiful, beautiful piece of writing" by the Houston Post, acclaimed artist Ntozake Shange brings to life the story of a young girl's awakening amidst her country's seismic growing pains. Set in St. Louis in 1957, the year of the Little Rock Nine, Shange's story reveals the prismatic effect of racism on an American child and her family. Seamlessly woven into this masterful portrait of an extended family is the story of Betsey's adolescence, the rush of first romance, and the sobering responsibilities of approaching adulthood.

Never trust a pirate. The dark passions of Marinette La Croix, captain of the *The Bloody Baron*, have met their match in fellow pirate Harry Edge. Harry, her first mate, is the only member of the crew she has ever allowed into her bed--a mistake she doesn't mean to replicate. But Harry is determined to make her his...

The New York Times bestseller that helps you explore whether romance is in the stars. Linda Goodman's *Love Signs* addresses the question asked by everyone familiar with astrology: How do I relate to someone of another sign? Each sign is "related" to the twelve signs of the zodiac in a different and unique way. Each section addresses the differences for a male and a female with the same sign matches. This is an updated edition of Linda Goodman's lively bestseller, which has introduced millions to the concept of astrological compatibility. "What seems to set Goodman's books apart from other stargazing guides is their knowledgeable approach and comprehensive reach." —Newsweek

Madly in love, or just pretending? Celebrated adventurer Ethan Burnell is keen to return to the jungles of Mexico. Settling down isn't part of his plan. But his sister has other ideas, throwing a Christmas houseparty filled with eager debutantes. The answer? A fake engagement for the duration of the festivities! With her name mired in scandal, Cornelia Mortmain's marriage prospects are

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nil. Burnell is exactly the sort of 'dangerous man' she's sworn off, and posing as his fiancée can only spell trouble. Or, make her so notorious she'll become irresistible. Can they convince everyone they're madly in love? The game is on! Heat level : passionate  
Discover more in 'The Lady's Guide' series: historical romance brimming with adventure, mystery and intrigue. On sale now The Lady's Guide to a Highlander's Heart The Lady's Guide to Mistletoe and Mayhem The Lady's Guide to Escaping Cannibals The Lady's Guide to Deception and Desire Releasing in 2022 The Lady's Guide to Havoc in a Harem The Lady's Guide to Tempting a Transylvanian Count Each can be read as a 'stand alone' and in any order.

Austen, Kaplan contends, participated actively in a women's culture that promoted female authority and achievement—a culture that not only helped her become a novelist but influenced her fiction.

Lord Marcus Remington has decided it is time to find a wife. He didn't expect her to be in the wreckage of a carriage in the middle of a spring storm, but rescuing Miss Josephine Storm challenges his heart and very character of the man known as the Virtuous Viscount. But when the injured young woman weighs heavy on the viscount's mind, convention goes out the window. As Miss Josephine Storm recovers her physical health, her heart is in even more danger. When The Black Diamond's plot to take over Britain puts Marcus and his friends in the criminal's cross-hairs, Josie's life is threatened. Marcus must chance losing her good favor and risk his virtuous reputation in order to save her life. Can Josie believe in the man she thought she knew when the facts say otherwise?

Scrolls of Love is a book of unions. Edited by a Christian and a Jew who are united by a shared passion for the Bible and a common literary hermeneutic, this volume joins two biblical scrolls and gathers around them a diverse community of interpreters. Respectful of traditional biblical scholarship, the collection of essays moves beyond it; alert to contemporary trends, the volume returns venerable interpretive tradition to center stage. Most significantly, it is interfaith, bringing together two communities that have read their Bibles in isolation from one another, in ignorance of the richness of the others traditions.

A lost love Seven years ago, the Marquis of Thornton broke Cleo's heart, and she hasn't forgotten or forgiven him. But when she finds him standing before her at a country house party, as handsome as ever, old temptations prove difficult to resist. One stolen kiss is all it takes. A proper gentleman Thornton buried his past and his feelings for Cleo long ago. He's worked diligently to become a respected politician with a reputation above reproach. The only trouble in his otherwise perfect life is that he can't resist the maddening beauty he never stopped wanting, no matter how devastating the cost. A mad passion Cleo is hopelessly trapped in a loveless marriage, and Thornton is on the cusp of making an advantageous match to further his political ambitions. The more time they spend in each other's arms, the more they court scandal and ruin. Theirs is a love that was never meant to be. Or is it?

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