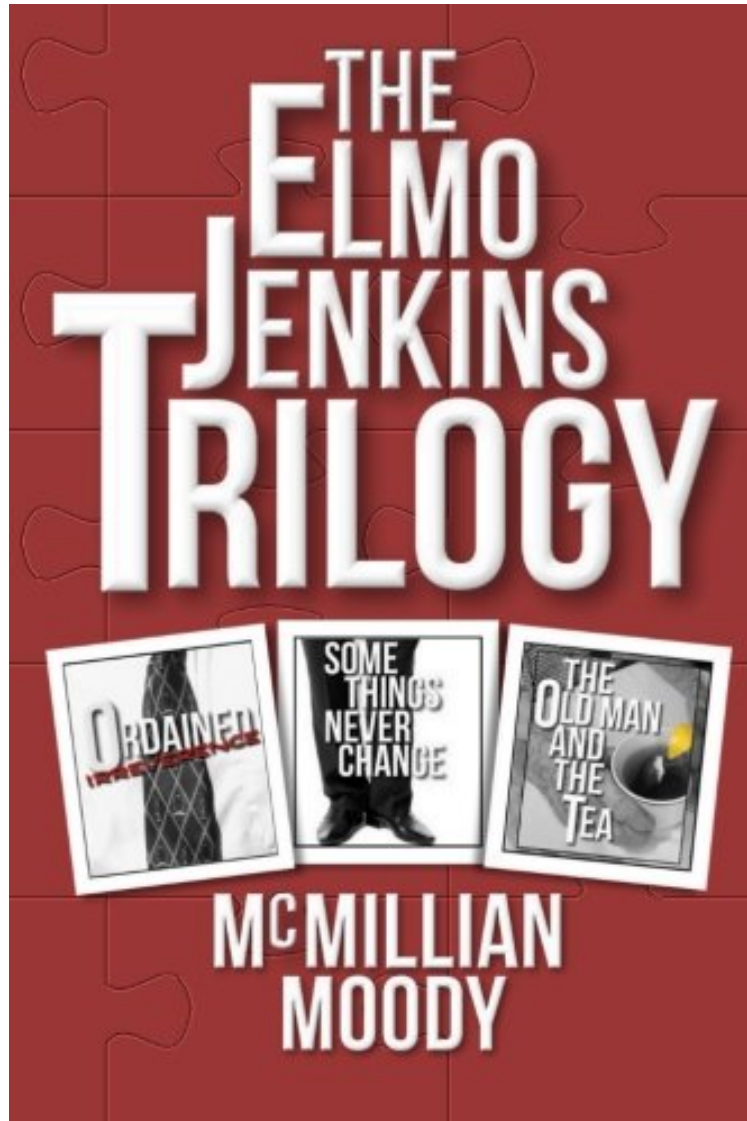


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people found the following review helpful. These people are Christians?By my two centsBetween two and three stars, though three stars is stretching it. The author's writing is really pretty good, I'll say that. He has an engaging style, and I ran into very few typos, so it was easy to read and make heads or tails of. I guess it was just the characters in the story I didn't care for. They're a group of people running a church, for Pete's sake. We all understand no one is perfect, but we're talking church leadership here. I'd say it's pretty important that people be able to look up to those in any sort of leadership positions in their church. How the minister, assistant minister, all the other ministers, and all their secretaries could consistently look the other way while Erlene Markham continuously told dirty stories to anyone who would give her thirty seconds is unbelievable. She grossed everyone out, and yet no one did a thing about her, never said a word to her. Eddie had to be reined in when he became a nuisance for hitting on all the single women, but no one did anything about wacko and disgusting Erlene.Come to that, I thought it was totally hypocritical to let her go on and on, and yet accept Tom Applebee's resignation over his daughter born out of wedlock, and say that he no longer had a place in ministry. What??? I really objected to that. And Jorgenson seemed like he was talking out of both sides of his mouth when, on the one hand, he didn't want Tom to resign and told him they could work through the problems, but when he held his staff meeting the next morning to explain why Tom left, he told those guys he was afraid Tom didn't have a place in ministry anymore. I thought he was completely two-faced.And then there was poor Art Menthor. This guy had been a member of the church for years. Always there to do chores or errands or some sort of work, always around to help. And yet no one knew him even well enough to know that his wife had passed away and that he lived all alone, and that the only family he had was one niece. How do you keep someone near you for years like that, and not learn something as basic as the death of a spouse? Did they never speak to him? Did they just willingly accept his work and his help but never draw him into any sort of conversation and try to get to know him? Pretty cold, in my opinion.I also didn't like Elmo's wife Bonnie. Apparently he thought her snark and sarcasm and sass were pretty cool, but I did not. I didn't think it was humorous either when it turned out that she was the one responsible for Erlene's disgusting fertility statue showing up again and again, after Elmo went to such lengths to get rid of it. Seemed more like a betrayal and a really nasty joke to me.So, there are my reactions to a few of the characters in this story. They didn't seem very Christ-like to me. In fact, a lot of them didn't seem very Christ-like. And the story isn't even over at the end of Book Three. I saw that there's a Book Four, and my first thought was, "Oh, no, there's more?"0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. LOVED IT!!!By 2JaysMommyI'm so glad I got the trilogy. Elmo was a likable character. The story seemed honest and realistic. At first I thought it was a church in a forgone error, but the subtle hints of icons and events today clarified that. Usually after reading a trilogy, you're disappointed by the ending, but not here. I was waiting for a "leave you ticked" ending, you know the ones that leave you with millions of questions? But this ended well and I'm glad for that. As soon as I finished reading, I jumped up to write this review.I highlighted several passages in the book. The foreword was . . . poignant, honest and true. Eli's answer to Elmo's question on how to develop a hunger for God's word was the best answer I've heard yet. It is a deliberate act. You have to WANT TO! I highlighted his entire answer. I also highlighted Eli's statement about why God and Hezekiah's plea to live longer. "God hears, He cares, and He's moved by our prayers." Yes He does and is, ALL THE TIME!!Thanks for the book Mr. Moody. I was blessed and entertained and blessed some more!

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