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More Than This (More Than Series Book 1)



Synopsis

When Mikayla imagined her prom night, she envisioned a fairy-tale evening full of romance. So when betrayal and tragedy come in quick succession, Mikayla is completely destroyed. Suddenly, everything she loved and everyone she relied on are tragically, irrevocably gone. Jake, a handsome boy she just met, happens to witness her loss. With no one to turn to, Mikayla is forced to depend on this near stranger and his family, and he in turn is determined to take care of her. But Mikayla is thrust into adulthood with no one to guide her is desperate to contain her grief and hide what she considers to be her weakness. Mikayla and Jake both want more, but despite their growing closeness and intense chemistry, she tries to keep her distance and protect her heart. As he does everything in his power to win her trust, Mikayla must choose between remaining alone and safe or letting love in. Revised edition: This edition of *More Than This* includes editorial revisions.

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Customer Reviews

I came across this one on facebook and I have to say that I am so glad I did. This story rips your

heart out and then slowly puts it back together. Jay McLean has done a magnificent job. Mikayla's life completely falls apart in the course of one evening and lucky for her she found Jake Andrews. My god, that boy was amazing. I was immediately drawn to this story and couldn't put it down. At first you may think this story has already been told because of what happens out of the gate to Mikayla, but trust me you couldn't be further from the truth. This one is a roller coaster ride and I am so glad I took it. Trust me when I say this *More Than This* is one of those stories that will stick with you in the end, and what an ending it is. I'm not a fan of cliffhangers (there isn't one), but it does leave you ready for the next story. Jay McLean developed characters that made you laugh and cry, sometimes at the same time. I felt so drawn in that I didn't want it to end. The supporting characters are amazing especially Lucy and Logan and the interactions between everyone leave you wishing you could be part of that group of friends. To me that is the mark of a great author, a story so realistic that you feel everything they are going through and this one does that for you. I am definitely looking forward to more for this author, because this one was pretty close to perfect.

This book was a great start to what I feel will be an incredible series. The storyline was really good, but the characters are what made this book incredible. We start with Mikayla, who is a sweet high school girl, who gets hit with an unexpected secret that crushes her. She meets Jake, who attends a different high school, and he's there for her when she needs him at that moment. After an incredible night together, Mikayla's world gets turned upside down, and Jake, his parents, and his friends become her biggest supporters. The side characters in this book are absolutely incredible. This is the first book I've read that I wish all of the characters would get their own book because I liked them as much as I did the main characters. I really look forward to the rest of this series.

WOW. I more than love this book a lot! I read a few reviews before purchasing this, and there are a lot of good ones, but some of them were very scathing about a few things. And I see where they were going - and 18-19 year old who prior to the timeline in this story was well on his way to being Hugh Hefner? Hmmm. Not my usual cup of tea. Also, what is w/ the constant need to use Jesus as a swear word and "F" everything? Potty mouth is one thing, but some of that might've been overkill. However, for me, the negatives mentioned in those reviews didn't detract from the story AT ALL. Jake & Kayla's story is truly touching. I laughed out loud (actually, literally laughed so loud a few times I'm sure my neighbors would have been startled had they been home), I cried, and I did a lot of "awww!" ing. The writing is truly superb. I was pulled in to the story from page one, and never tossed out. I almost wanted to skip my lunch plans today so I could keep reading (and would likely

have done so if it hadn't been a team thing). :) This is a definite keeper, a re-read more than once, and I'm quite happy to know that Logan will have his own story at some point. I will definitely be picking that up as well.

I loved it to the point where I didn't do anything like errands for the weekend because I was not going to put the book down! This story pulls at your heart and makes you want to push and argue alone (or like we do- to the book). Jake is perfect and patient, protective, loyal and understanding. He is a rock when it comes to dealing with the unexpected all at once because what life threw at Mikayla was devastating. Not only him, every character in this book serves a purpose. New friends are great and bring some lightness and fun to the story that is more than needed too. The author did a great job with this story because it grabs you and makes you desperate but for some unique reason it also makes you feel that love that the characters have for each other. Makes you sympathize. Like I said- I loved it. Gave me a hangover.

This book was a rollercoaster ride for sure. I loved it. I was sad, frustrated, happy, laughing, and everything in between. I look forward to continuing this series and I'm so happy that I found this one. Jake "I'm kind of a big deal" Andrews is awesome. He had a few freak outs that were a bit OTT but I think that had more to do with the state of their relationship than him. He even says he doesn't know why he's acting the way he is. He is so steadfast in his love and support, almost no matter what is happening. He gives Mikayla exactly what she needs. Poor Mikayla, she just didn't know which way was up and if she could trust herself. I felt bad for how it strung poor Jake along, but I understood it. I kept waiting for her to wake up to it all, and I was surprised Logan was the one to reality check her. (Poor Logan!) Amazing supporting characters, including parents and friends. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in the next books and catching up, at least I hope we'll still see Jake and Kayla.

I listened to this book on audio. (The narrators were so fantastic) I don't know what took me so long to get to read one of Jay McLean's books. This story had me hooked from the beginning. So much of this story is tragic and I had to have some tissues nearby. Jake (sigh).... We all need a hero like Jake in our lives. He was there when Kayla lost everyone that was important to her in one night. It was very angsty watching them try to fight their feelings for each other. The ending had some interesting tidbits of information and I am anxious to dive into the rest of the series.

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