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The Amulet (one of three very high-concept works of eerie fiction by this author) is a three-part Christian thriller. Inspired by the great and classic film, Raiders of the Lost Ark, and the single most mysterious line in all the gospels, the novel required four years to write. Given its utterly startling premise, it has already proven to be of interest to one of the largest motion picture studios in the world. Below is a small precis of the work:

In 1947, a monumental archeological discovery is made near the ruins of a previously unknown and long-extinct Jewish community. An ancient relic is found. To the shock of everyone that sees it, it appears not to have aged a day in two thousand years.

For decades subsequent to its discovery, the find is kept hidden, knowledge of its existence never made public. Yet, one day, something inexplicable happens. Its private owner suddenly becomes terrified of it. He hurriedly contacts the Israeli Antiquities Authority, informing this organization of what he possesses, the existence of something that defies description. The IAA laughs at him, only reluctantly accepting his donation. Two months pass. During that time, to the IAA's sheer astonishment, all rigorous scientific test results confirm the relic's authenticity...that it indeed dates to Israel of the first-century. But that is not the only thing that stuns the IAA. It appears to exhibit supernatural properties. One night, while studying the antiquity in an underground laboratory, the worst screams ever heard in human history reverberate through the building. Armed guards nervously enter the room, their gun hands shaking. What they find cannot be explained. And the relic goes missing, lost to the IAA forever.

Thirteen years after these events, unrelenting nightmarish dreams beset Emanuel Tov in the United States. In these dreams, he is told to go to Israel for a reason he does not know. Leaving his family astounded at his abrupt decision to attend an Orthodox seminary in Jerusalem, it is there he learns of the existence of something that, according to his frightened rabbi, 'should not exist...'something that scares me to my soul.'

Emanuel's only path to understand what is happening to him is to attempt to study the deadly relic even at the risk of his own life. And what he finds written on it nearly drowns him in fear and hysteria. Now deeply afraid of it, he leaves the room vowing never to return. But the relic's hold on him is unbreakable, drawing him back, drawing him in, compelling Emanuel to accept an incredible fate decreed for him centuries ago.

The Amulet is a roller-coaster ride of a tale – taking the reader on a captivating journey through a labyrinth of settings and dialogue no less than chilling, powerful, provocative and, to be sure, spiritual and uplifting. But the genre pervasively present throughout the tale is that of high suspense. Emanuel embarks on a daunting mission to learn of a stupefying destiny set for him two thousand years ago. And upon fulfilling that destiny, one he had resisted and fought against all the way, the world and the Vatican begin to become afraid for no one can explain what is happening.

Thoughts as held by many of the story's characters in the face of these astonishing occurrences are presented...thoughts of joy and, yes, thoughts of doubt. Thoughts of repentance. Thoughts of dread. Many reject what is happening as hoaxes: many do not. The world begins to panic. There is chaos and riots in the streets. Prelates shout at prelates in their worry and fear. Churches, synagogues and mosques are jammed with fearful worshippers, countless millions believing that what is happening presages End of Days. And then,

upon the gripping and rapid-fire – shocking – events that lay the foundation for the conclusion of The Amulet, when the world is at its most fearful, the light of the world touches the world again.

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WOW! I started this book this today. I couldn't put it down and now Part 1 is finished. I am glad it is just the beginning and I have more to read.

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### **Amy says**

\*This book was won from a First Reads giveaway on goodreads.com\*

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### **Reeda Booke says**

The story begins with an ancient scroll found in the Qumram caves that defies belief and causes tragedy for those trying to destroy it. Ordered to have it hidden where no one can find it, it is instead kept in secret by a scientist who feels that it is too important.

Enter Emmanuel who just finished getting his degree in medicine and was to follow in his father's footsteps and become a doctor, however a dream that he has compels him to leave that calling and head over to Jerusalem to enter the seminary in hopes of becoming a Rabbi.

Seeing something special in the young man, his teacher and Rabbi tells him the story of how the scroll came to be in his possession and, sworn to secrecy, he has Emmanuel translate it. Unbeknown to Emmanuel, the scrolls secrets are tied to his dreams.

While the story was engaging, I felt that it was too drawn out and that Part 1 could have been told with about 100 less pages. The dialogue was also bit over dramatic at times. The actual story being told is intriguing and I would really love to find out who the "mystery figure" is. I hope to read the other 2 books, however the price is too steep for an ebook and it will probably be awhile before I get to finish the tale. (I borrowed this one through the Amazon Prime free trial)

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