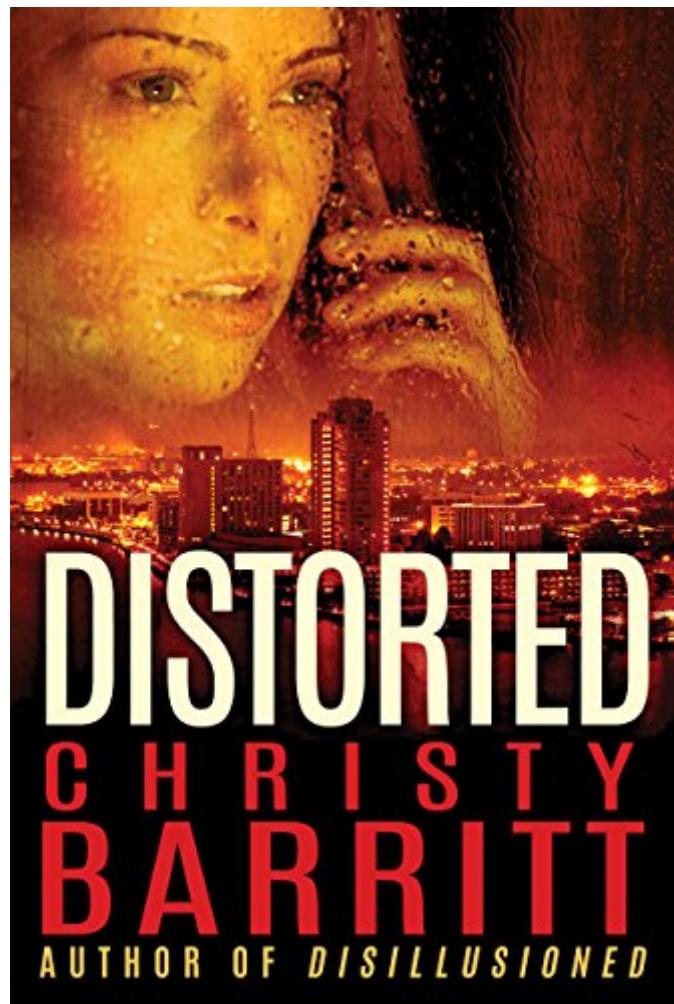


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## **Customer Reviews**

Wow! This story truly will keep you on the edge of your seat not wanting to put it down. It's so full of suspense, action, intrigue and gripping drama. It also brings sweet redemption and love into the story of Mallory and Tennyson. From the very first moments in the book to the very end, I was captivated by its fast moving pace. This book held my attention so much I couldn't put it down. I continued to think about it even while I was going through my everyday routines, which made it hard on my husband because dinner was sometimes a bit late. This story presented current issues in our society, issues some just want to ignore. Yet the issues of human-trafficking is so prevalent now that it saddens me. Christy Barritt has done a wonderful job with this story. She shares the hope others can have to be a, "victor not a victim" through the grace of God. I highly recommend you reading this book. I received this book from the author and all opinions are my own.

Distorted by Christy Barritt is a mesmerizing page turner from the very first sentence. Mallory Baldwin is a socialite vacationing in the Caribbean with her parents when her family is killed and she becomes a victim of human trafficking. Held captive for over a year, Distorted begins with Mallory's release as her captor is killed. A few years later, she is trying to put her life back together when she starts receiving threatening messages. She turns to the man who saved her, Tennyson Walker, to protect her once more. Christy Barritt never fails to write fantastic stories. This novel is no exception. My only warning is that you should not start it until you have time to finish it right away—it will keep your attention until it is done! A fantastic read! "Distorted is a book worth seeking out. I received a digital copy of this book from the publisher in exchange for my honest review, but I also purchased a copy on my own.

I suppose I could make this review short and sweet: "Awesome book! 5 Stars! Buy it NOW!!!" After all, Christy Barritt is an author who never fails to please me as a reader. Barritt once again delivers strong, well-developed characters who find themselves working together under seemingly impossible circumstances, keeping -- and strengthening -- their faith, and coming through the trial stronger than before. Synopsis: Mallory Baldwin is a survivor. A former victim of human trafficking, she's been given a second chance, yet not a night goes by that she doesn't remember being a slave to weapons dealer Dante Torres. Despite being afraid of the dark and wary of strangers, Mallory is trying to rebuild her life by turning her tragedy into redemption. To former Navy SEAL Tennyson Walker, Mallory seems nothing like the shattered woman he rescued two years ago, and he can't help but be inspired by her strength and resilience. So when a stalker suddenly makes Mallory vulnerable once again, Tennyson steps up as her bodyguard to

keep her safe. Mallory and Tennyson's mutual attraction can't be ignored, but neither can Mallory's suspicion that Tennyson is keeping a terrible secret about her past. As the nightmare closes in, it's not only Mallory and Tennyson's love that comes under fire but their very lives as well. Will their faith sustain them? Or will the darkness win once and for all? Barritt opens *Distorted* with the rescue of Mallory Baldwin and then reintroduces her to the reader after a two-year period during which time Mallory has been healing and reclaiming her life. Throughout *Distorted*, Barritt writes a convincing story of a woman who refuses to live in fear but who also deals with continuing effects of the trauma of having once been the victim of human trafficking. "Through the grace of God, I'm a victor not a victim!" is Mallory's watchword. As with any story that features a mystery, I played armchair detective and tried to figure out who the bad guy really is. There are a couple of red herrings thrown in that will surely have the reader guessing that a person is involved in stalking Mallory, at the very least, only to find that they guessed wrong. Highly recommended! Rating: 5 Stars I received a copy of the book from the author and Waterfall Press through NetGalley in exchange for my honest review.

Kade Wheaton (commanding officer, Trident International (TI): military PTSD advocate) said Tennyson "Ten Man" Walker's (TI security head, retired Navy SEALs) mission was to take out Dante Torres. BOOM! There was flames everywhere in the room. Hallowell was helping Tennyson to his feet. Mallory Baldwin (27, human trafficking advocate, socialite, Washington, DC.) had been in the room also. Dante had managed to escape. 911 # 513 Sunset Way (Cape Thomas) a female body had been found. It was Kori Burns (former PD). Ethan Stone (BMF, NSA, former CIA) informed Tennyson; Dante was alive & well but had changed his appearance. Kori (f, bodyguard) was also helping safeguard Mallory. FBI SA Turner was assigned to handle the human trafficking for sexual exploitation. What were Dante & Logan Hagen (Baltimore PD, retired US Navy) up to? I did not receive any type of compensation for reading & reviewing this book. While I receive free books from publishers & authors, I am under no obligation to write a positive review. Only an honest one. A very awesome book cover, great font & writing style. A very well written crime thriller book. It was very easy for me to read/follow from start/finish & never a dull moment. There were no grammar/typo errors, nor any repetitive or out of line sequence sentences. Lots of exciting scenarios, with several twists/turns & a great set of unique characters to keep track of. This could also make another great crime thriller movie, or better yet a mini TV series. There is no doubt in my mind this is a very easy rating of 5 stars. Thank you for the Goodreads; MakingConnections; Waterfall Press; Digital Services LLC; book Tony Parsons MSW (Washburn)

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