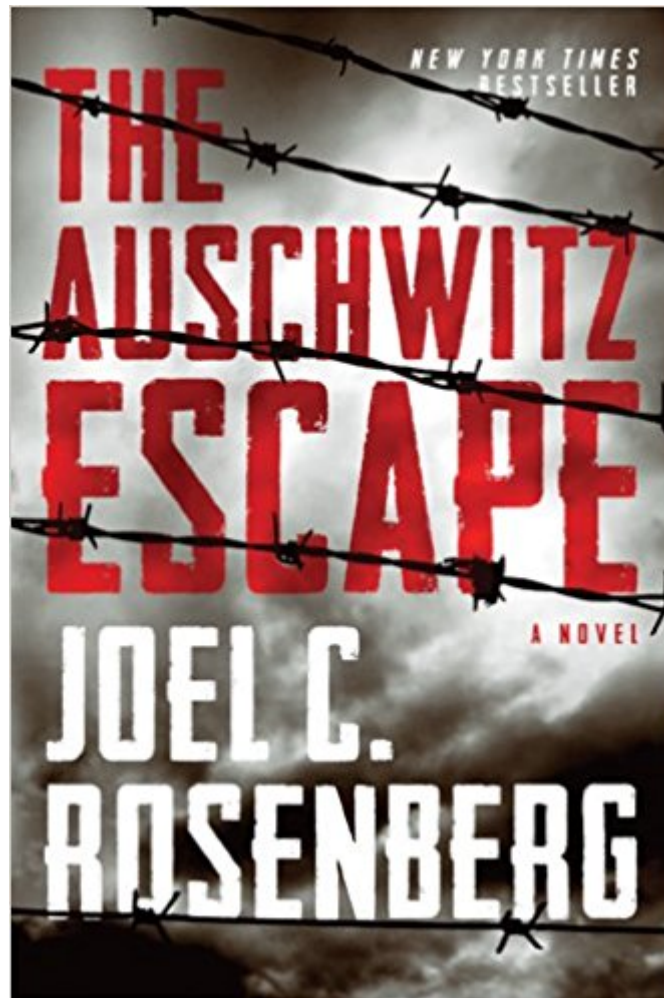




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The Auschwitz Escape



Synopsis

ECPA 2015 Christian Book Award Finalist! 2014 finalist for the Goodreads Choice Awards! Evil, unchecked, is the prelude to genocide. As the Nazi war machine rolls across Europe, young Jacob Weisz is forced to flee his beloved Germany and join an underground resistance group in Belgium. But when a rescue operation goes horribly wrong, Jacob finds himself trapped in a crowded cattle car headed to southern Poland. Sentenced to hard labor in the Auschwitz labor camp, Jacob forms an unlikely alliance with Jean-Luc Leclerc, a former assistant pastor who was imprisoned for helping Jews. They've been chosen for one of the most daring and dangerous feats imaginable—escape from Auschwitz. With no regard for their own safety, they must make it to the West and alert the Allies to the awful truth of what is happening in Poland before Fascism overtakes all of Europe. The fate of millions hangs in the balance.

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Customer Reviews

The strong religious conviction evident in Rosenberg's previous novels ("Damascus Countdown"), which were focused on the Middle East and Muslim-Western relations, is reflected in his latest book, ["The Auschwitz Escape,"] a work of historical fiction, about a heroic escape from the Nazis. Luc, a French pastor, who is sentenced to the Auschwitz death camp for helping Jews, joins forces with Jacob, a Jewish man sent to the camp after his attempt to hijack a train bound for Auschwitz fails. Together they plan to escape to tell an unbelieving world about the Holocaust. During the escape, the two form a strong bond, learning about each other's faith and doubts. When Jacob questions

why Luc has joined the Resistance, the pastor responds, "The real question is 'Why aren't all the Christians here?'" Rosenberg has done what he does best: create believable characters set in a political milieu and also in religious context, acting on conviction or exploiting religion for selfish or evil ends. This is Rosenberg's most deeply moving work to date.--Publishers Weekly

Joel C. Rosenberg is a New York Times bestselling author with more than 2.5 million copies sold among his seven novels (The Last Jihad, The Last Days, The Ezekiel Option, The Copper Scroll, Dead Heat, The Twelfth Imam, and The Tehran Initiative), four nonfiction books (Epicenter, Inside the Revolution, Implosion, and The Invested Life), and digital short (Israel at War). A communications strategist based in Washington, D.C., he has worked with some of the world's most influential and provocative leaders, including Steve Forbes, Rush Limbaugh, Natan Sharansky, and Benjamin Netanyahu. Once a political columnist for World magazine, he now writes commentaries for National Review as well as a weekly e-mail update known as Flash Traffic for business and political leaders. A front-page Sunday New York Times profile called him a force in the capital. He has also been profiled by the Washington Times and the Jerusalem Post and has been interviewed on ABC's Nightline, CNN Headline News, FOX News Channel, The History Channel, MSNBC, The Rush Limbaugh Show, and The Sean Hannity Show.

One knows from history that Auschwitz was a horrible and unbelievable place of torture and murder in the most heinous sense. But Jacob's plight and suffering did not seem bad at all compared to most others. His connection with the bakery and the leader of the escape group allowed him food privileges, etc. that spared him the ghastly fate of others..His suffering came mostly from watching friends and others die in the gas chambers and ovens. Even so, the book was well put forward. My greatest disappointment came at the end when the Allies would not take instant action. I think the book is well worth reading.

How the story was presented is the rating. The story is heart breaking to think one human being can treat another how a whole nation could turn and then become like rabid dogs. But it seems this was the prelude to what would become the 10th and 20th centuries. The horror of the Middle East Africa and south east Asia. I cry for all of humanity because what happened in these camps are happening thru out the world obviously man doesn't learn

This is, I hesitate to say "a wonderful book", because how can a book about those terrible times be

called "wonderful". But if you are interested in reading an account of what happened during WWII to the Jewish people, and those who helped them, then look no further. My father fought in WWII, so I have a special interest in this part of history. We must never forget what happened!

I found myself drawn into this book, becoming part of the lives of the characters. The story is horrifying, yet the characters the author follows become part of your daily thoughts. Rightly or wrongly, I do believe there is a great deal of truth to this story and how it plays out. If you like reading stories about the Holocaust, I would definitely recommend this book.

This captivating historical fiction masterfully takes the reader through days in Europe when Hitler reigned. The church was basically silent, except for a few brave who dared to risk their lives to speak out and help the Jews who were being slaughtered before their very eyes. The death camps, called labor camps, were hidden from public view and rarely did anyone bring news of the horrors inside: the unthinkable. It's a fast paced story that gives the hard but honest view of the prison and those wanting to escape, those daring to want to live. History reveals tremendous courage of the few who survived to talk about it. Not everyone would want to read this as it's nightmare material, but facing truth and God in that truth, is the only way to not have it happen again.

This book gives an excellent view of what really happened behind barbed wires and gates to prevent the truth from getting out as to what the Nazis were doing in Auschwitz. The world remained largely ignorant of Hitler's "Final Solution" to exterminate the Jews. Although it is a work of fiction, it is based on the real history of the concentration camps, the gas chambers and crematoriums used by the Nazis to kill political prisoners, thousands of Jews that included innocent children, men and women, and anyone that dissented from Fascist ideology. It is a fast moving, gripping story of man's inhumanity to man and one that should be read by all to understand what happens when a totalitarian regime takes over and dismantles man's freedom. As in the case of all genocides, starting with the Armenian genocide by the Ottoman Turks, world powers were made aware of what was going on but chose to do nothing and millions were tortured and killed. We continue to remain unwilling to help even today as atrocities continue in Syria, Iraq, Egypt, North Korea, Iran and elsewhere.

I have read most of the authors books, some are almost prophetic and then there is this wonderful

historic fiction. Each one has been great and I have read some more than once, he is a truly gifted author. I am not Jewish and it is difficult to really understand what they have been through as a people, but God doesn't guarantee a easy life he only guarantees the results for those that remain faithful. This book does such a good job with the characters and conditions that it is all too easy feel some of the fear and frustration they must have experienced. This book is well worth your money and the time to read it. It is one of the best books I have read in a long time.

Great page turner, and kept my interest. I found it hard to put down. The story line was revealing. I thank Joel for being thoughtful about introducing the Gospel into the story. I am not a contemporary media consumer. If TV shows and news anchors depended on people like me as customers they would starve to death. I have spent most of my life reading literature. So I say for moral experience on a personal level I read Dickens, for deeply impacting history and it's personal impact I read Solzhenitsyn and Tolstoy, and for Christian apologetics and philosophy I read Dostoyevsky. Literature should ask the reader questions at a deeper core. Where do I come from, why am I here, what is the meaning of life, and what I am I transcending toward (what happens to me when I die). I found elements of those fundamental questions in this story.

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