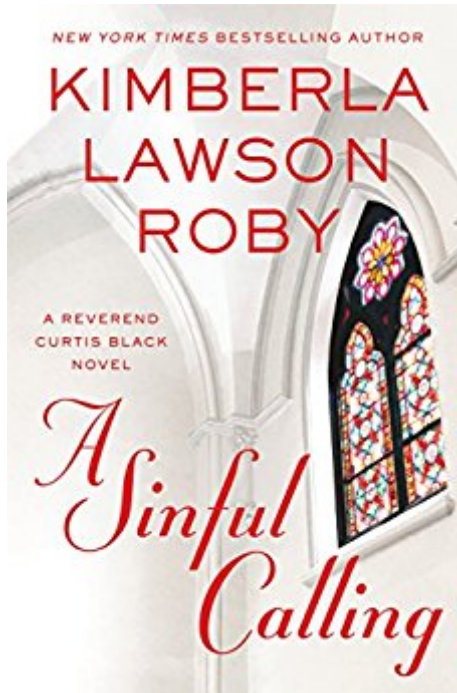




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A Sinful Calling (A Reverend Curtis Black Novel)



Synopsis

Dillon hadn't been called by anyone. He'd called himself and he wasn't ashamed of it. But no good can come from . . . A SINFUL CALLINGTwo years ago, to everyone's surprise, Dillon Whitfield Black, the secret son of Reverend Curtis Black, boldly moved back home, married a woman named Raven, decided he was going to become a minister, and then founded a church right in the center of his living room. Today he's pastor of a 1,000-plus-member congregation, and new members are joining weekly. Sadly, behind closed doors, Dillon is far from being a saint. Dillon has become more like the man his father was thirty years ago-consumed with money, power, and lots of women. His family may have let bygones be bygones, but they continue to keep their distance. Not Alicia, though. This daughter of Curtis Black joins Dillon's congregation, leaving her father's church behind. The family has forgiven Alicia for marrying Levi Cunningham, the former drug dealer she had an affair with, but once Alicia realizes they will never fully accept Levi, she decides to see her family less and less. She and Levi are truly happy, however, guilt from her betrayal of Phillip and its aftermath casts a shadow over their wedded bliss. But when Raven decides she wants a higher position in the church and Alicia hides a devastating secret, the entire family is affected in ways they don't see coming. In the end, no one will be able to trust anyone . . . and for very good reason.

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Customer Reviews

Very disappointed. I absolutely LOVE this author but didn't enjoy this book. I won't spoil it for anyone, I just felt like I was reading the same thing over and over again. I will still support her to the fullest, I just didn't enjoy this book. I want to be clear, I LOVE this series and I hope it goes on continuously. I just felt this specific book tended to repeat a lot of the same thing. The series is so brilliant and there is still so much that can happen in the Black family that I can totally relate to in everyday life. I feel we as readers OWE it to these authors to give an honest assessment of their work. Giving false accolades does nothing for anyone, tearing down someone's creativity does nothing positive for anyone. The only thing that helps us ALL win is being honest! I don't know about anyone else, but my time is valuable and when I read (and get totally lost in) my book, I want to stay interested and give it my full attention, so I can give my honest opinion. God bless.

This story was very repetitive of other Curtis Black novels that I've read. It's the same old story with Dillon and his woe is me attitude acting like a 6 year old who misses his daddy instead of a 30 year old man. The plot line was boring and I found myself very disinterested in the book and had to force myself to finish it and that is unusual for me because Alicia is actually my favorite character. When the plot starts to get stale, maybe the author needs to just hang up and conclude the Curtis Black series and find another series to begin. Only reason it gets 2 stars is because it spoke about mental health issues. Other than that the book was one star at best. I think it's time to just retire the whole Black family. Over a dozen in the series, yup I say it is time.

I am very much a Kimberly Lawson Roby fan. I think I may have gotten too familiar with her writing and this book was just not as fresh as the other Curtis Black novels. It reads like a soap opera-which isn't a negative critique as I used to be a soap opera fan. I appreciate the cleanliness and spiritual message while still keeping a decent plot.

This is by far the worst book of the series. No where near on the same level as her previous books. I'm disappointed. The storyline was predictable, too short. The story regarding the characters could have been discussed more. I think this is the end of the Curtis Black series if this is what the writing has become. Not worth the \$13 I paid.

This is my first KLR read. The story was great but it took me a while to get through this book. Some spots were more intriguing than others, but I guess that's with everything. Now I will have to read the other books in this series to try to piece together the events in this book.

The book was a fast read, it was relatable, enjoyable, and emotional. It's hard to believe that a famous pastor with a checkered past who has done so much dirt in front of his family can't understand or forgive the child that he has done the worst to. Dillon always wanted his father's love and approval and thought that his siblings had it better than him because they grew up with their father, not realizing that they suffered from what they saw and he suffered from what he felt he missed out on. Also, when we get ourselves together, we sometimes forget our past and the things that we've done to others. We should always try to teach our children from the experiences that we went through so that they won't have to go through the same pain and suffering as us. Curtis tried to warn Alicia, but she was too much like him. Lastly, Alicia has always had mental issues and was afraid to get help because of what she felt was or her father's status in life, not realizing that it doesn't make a difference if you're dead. You can't preach to others to get the help that you're not willing to get yourself. We all need help sometimes and have to be willing to ask for it.

Overall, I liked the book. It was a good read, but I kept waiting for something more and different. While I know this book is apart of a long running series, I felt that we really did not get anything "new". It was more of the same.. Pastor falls off wagon, pastor drunk with power and pastor sleeping around. It may be time to end this series.

Another fantastic read from Kimberla Lawson Roby. She never fails to write a book that you can't put down..

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