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"Sometimes the earth really" does "move."

Kyle Armentrout is every gay man's fantasy in a tool belt, but he can't even change a light bulb without injuring himself. Twice divorced and not long from the closet, he's found his way into a fulfilling relationship at last, but he can't quite escape the sense that he's left his manhood behind in the process.

When Kyle's latest DIY project slides into predictable disaster, his lover, Eric Mulholland, wants him to retire his Allen wrench and accept that he isn't less of a man for loving Eric.

Then the fault lines of their relationship meet the fault lines of the 2011 Northeast earthquake, and the two lovers learn not just to stay on their feet when the ground shakes, but to actually treasure the tremble.

"All author royalties on sales of this title are being donated to the Trevor Project, which provides crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to LGBTQ youth."

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From Reader Review Foreshock for online ebook

Mandy*reads obsessively* says

Hot and steamy!

The blurb gives a good summery, but I would love to read how they met and fell in love!

Jayhjay says

This review was originally published on my blog Joyfully Jay

Kyle Armentrout is twice divorced and recently out of the closet. Strapped into his toolbelt, he is every gay man's dream, but he is sadly an accident waiting to happen when he tries his DIY projects. Yet his partner Eric Mulholland knows that there is part of Kyle that needs these projects to help him regain some of his confidence as he adjusts to life as an out gay man after years of stuffing his feelings away.

In Foreshock we get to see a quick snapshot of Kyle and Eric together. Despite still adjusting to his new life, Kyle is totally into Eric and we are treated to a hot scene between them in the kitchen. As we watch the guys interact, the love and tenderness, as well as a bit of playfulness are really apparent. And when the guys are startled but a sudden earthquake, we get to see a bit more between them, as they both refuse to let go of one another. And even though, like the earthquake, their relationship has shaken both of them up, it is clear that where they both want to be is with each other.

This is a short little story, but Gregg packs quite a lot in. I really felt like I got to know the guys and understand a lot about their relationship even in the short format. The love and affection between them is really clear and they are quite sweet together. Eric is clearly exasperated at Kyle's never ending series of failed fix-it attempts, yet even with that it is clear he understands why Kyle needs to continue with them. And even with his anxiety about his new life, it is also apparent that Kyle loves and needs Eric and can't be without him. I wish the post earthquake section was just a tiny bit longer; I would have loved to see that conclusion made a bit more clearly. But overall I definitely enjoyed Foreshock and loved meeting Kyle and Eric.

Jason Black says

I really loved these characters. Awesome!

Syfy says

Mmmmmm hot!

Anke says

Short, cute, hot - nothing more to say. Oh yes - I really liked it.

Vio says

Super sexy with dreamy gorgeous loving between the MC's, hot and sweet I loved it the perfect erotic read!

Melanie says

Kari Gregg is donating 100 percent of her profits from this story to The Trevor Project which provides crisis intervention and suicide prevention to LGBTQ youth. So much applause and snaps to Kari Gregg for such a wonderful gift. Now on to the review.

Rating: 4.5 stars

Eric Mulholand loves his boyfriend, Kyle, even though Kyle seems determined to destroy their apartment through his attempts at DIY projects. Kyle Armentrout is a contradiction in so many ways. Tall, nordic, handsome, twice divorced, and father of five. After 20 years of repressing his true nature, Kyle is now madly in love with a man and a complete bottom in the bed. These are facts that are still taking some adjustment. So to compensate for a perceived "less manly" self image, Kyle has decided that being a Mr. Fixit is the answer. Only problem is that he can't fix things, anything to be exact. And the plumbing, the electricity, even Eric's tires have suffered. So as hot as Kyle looks in a tool belt, Eric has had enough.

One argument leads to some very hot makeup sex. And then the earth shakes. It doesn't take either man very long to realize that there are emotional earthquakes as well as the physical ones, and they have just been through both. And survived both with their love and apartment well intact. Such a great metaphor as nothing can shake a physical foundation like an earthquake and nothing can shake up a person from their emotional moorings or foundation like love can. Great characters who cracked me up while making me understand how fragile relationships and self images can be. I wish the story had been longer but no matter, I enjoyed my stay with both of them.

Cover: A little dark but in keeping with an earthquake plot, but other than that, just perfect. Loved the fonts as they are so easy to read.

And check in with The Trevor Project. You won't be sorry.

„•*°*~Gwendolyn~°**★°**★ says

3.5 Stars

Very Cute, Short, Story~

Well worth the read and the buy, the proceeds of this purchase goes to the Trevor foundation, and that is simply fab ♥

Emily says

3.5 stars

A cute, funny little read that helped cheer me up after a horrible read.

Heather C says

Cute hot little short story. Would like to read the whole story of how these two fell in love.

Barb ~rede-2-read~ says

Sweet, short, sexy story about Kyle, a 38 yr old guy who didn't come out of the closet until he met Eric, his now live-in lover. Kyle seems to be trying to make up for his supposed loss of masculinity by trying to be a handyman around the house. Trying is the word, since he inevitably fails.

The story primarily revolves around Eric's efforts, through sex, to convince Kyle that he loves and needs him, just not as Mr Fixit. Just after they finish, an earthquake hits their area in Virginia, giving the two more reason to be thankful that they are together and okay.

Special thanks to Ms. Gregg for donating proceeds to The Trevor Project!

Katie says

This was a quick little read that I picked up to get a taste of Kari Gregg's writing. It only cost a buck and all royalties are donated to the Trevor Project which provides services to LGBTQ youth.

Unable to resist a good cause and hopefully a hot read I finished it 20 minutes and was not disappointed. Kyle is everything his discription promises (every gay man's fantasy in a tool belt) and what I liked was how the feel and look of him was fed to the reader as the story was told instead of one lump discription at the beginning. It was a great build getting Eric's view of him throughout their hot love making and watching Kyle's layers get peeled away.

I always like a story that gets told through sex and this little read does a good job of it. Definitely pick it up!

Rosemary says

Cute short little story that manages to be sweet and hot at the same time.

Trio says

Really nice story - interesting characters, fun read :)

Adara says

This is a cute, quick read. Even for a short piece, the characterizations are wonderful. And as usual, the sex is steamy. =)
