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ER nurse Sloane Ferrell escaped her risky past--new name, zip code, job, and a fresh start. She's finally safe, if she avoids a paper trail and doesn't let people get too close. Like the hospital's too-smooth marketing man with his relentless campaign to plaster one "lucky" employee's face on freeway billboards. Micah Prescott's goal is to improve the Hope hospital image, but his role as a volunteer crisis responder is closer to his heart. The selfless work helps fill a void in his life left by family tragedy. So does a tentative new relationship with the compassionate, beautiful, and elusive Sloane Ferrell. Then a string of brutal crimes makes headlines, summons responders . . . and exposes disturbing details of Sloane's past. Can hope spring from crisis?

## **Maybe It's You Details**

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## Mary Hodge says

This is a well written book with wonderful believable characters. The setting is real, using the ER as a backdrop. I am an ER Nurse, so recognized the scenes as very real. The descriptions of trauma care were well documented. I would recommend this book to anyone looking for a good read, including drama, romance, and a message of hope.

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## Rebecca says

"It's not like one random event can just pop things back into perfect alignment."

Emergency room nurse Sloane Ferrell's life has been careening off course for quite some time, her childhood stolen by someone she should have been able to trust, her mother's death the kind of memory that no child should have to recall, her personal life steeped in poor judgement; and now her privacy is about to be invaded after a hospital parking lot rescue? She has worked so hard to create a new life for herself in Los Angeles, and what others might deem heroic, now threatens to put her face on a billboard for Hope Hospital's new public relations campaign; that simply cannot happen.

Micah Prescott, assistant director of public relations and marketing at Hope Hospital, is intrigued by the lovely emergency room nurse with the fire in her eyes, relentless compassion for her patients, and firm resistance to his overtures of friendship. When a grisly crime draws the two together, Sloane reluctantly admits that her first impressions of Micah Prescott were perhaps a bit misguided. Just as the two begin to form a delicate friendship, the secrets in Sloane's past begin to unravel before Micah's very eyes, forcing him to admit that he has a lot to learn about forgiveness.

Once again, Candace Calvert has displayed her ability to use a story as an illustration of God's tender mercy and unfailing love, taking the most cruel of circumstances and interjecting the hope that "God never defines you by the past . . . .".

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## Kav says

A medical drama that challenges and convicts.

Maybe It's You is the third book in the Crisis Team series. It reads like a standalone -- though if you have been keeping current you'll be all too familiar with Sloane. A prickly character with a gnarly reputation and a questionable past.

After finishing Step by Step (Book 2 in the series) did I really want to read an entire book dedicated to Sloane? Probably not if anyone but Candace Calvert was writing the story. But, thankfully, she is the author and she wooed me onto Team Sloane in pretty short order.

Yes this heroine is hot-headed and defensive and annoyingly aloof. But she's also an incredible nurse --

fiercely protective of her patients. Kind and compassionate, treating them all with equal respect. What a curious contrast between her personal life and professional one! And so much fodder for enthralling storytelling as Calvert slowly peels back the complicated layers that protect Sloane's fragile, broken heart.

By comparison, Micah seems to have it all together. Raised with the foundation of a strong Christian faith, he's working at a prestigious hospital marketing job while balancing volunteer hours as a crisis responder. But a past tragedy has chiseled some serious cracks in that solid foundation.

There are some interesting dynamics between this hero and heroine. Awkward. Fumbling. Hope thwarted by wariness. A tumultuous romance. The only way a relationship will ever work is if they are both brutally honest...but there's an equally good chance that will tear them apart instead. Talk about tension and emotional overload! I was in romance reading heaven!

Forgiveness and the true meaning of saving grace are at the heart of Sloane and Micah's journey. They have a lot to learn (as did this reader!) before faith can make them whole.

Delectable. Absorbing. Unforgettable. And a deliciously 'meaty' read -- 418 pages!

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## **Nicki Olsen says**

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### **\*My Thoughts\***

Candace Calvert's work is so different from any other contemporary fiction I've ever read. She has this amazing way of combining her life outside of her writing with this real, magical fiction world she created. The end result is medical fiction like you've never read before!

Maybe It's You is the third book in the Crisis Team series. Even though I highly recommend books one and two (they're awesome!), I think you could easily get away with this one as a stand alone.

Candace created such a strong character in Sloane Ferrel. She had such a tough shell, but she also had a sweet, trusting side to her that made her so tangible to me. Her determination to overcome her shameful past made the book not just fluff, but a deep inspiring read. Micah Prescott the handsome pr director was butting heads with Sloane from the beginning. Her judgemental attitude towards him gave them a rocky start, but their relationship steadily grew throughout the book. With every turn of the page, I was holding my breath to see what would happen next.

My conclusion? Candace has created yet another work of Medical drama art. From the strong characters to the riveting plot to the fascinating details, Maybe It's You truly is a winner.

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### **\*My Rating\***

I give Maybe It's You by Candace Calvert...

5 stars!

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### **Jordyn Redwood says**

Was lucky enough to get a free copy of this book to read for possible endorsement which I happily gave.

Heroine Sloane Ferrell has not had the easiest life and is doing everything she can to hide from her past. When she rescues a young woman from an appearing domestic violence incident, Micah Prescott wants to use her and the story to improve the hospital's PR image.

And therein lies the conflict.

Sloane was actually a previous villain in Step by Step. It takes an uber talented author to then take that character and make her vulnerable and likable. Strong work, Candace, strong work.

Highly Recommended.

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### **Madison says**

What would you do for a fresh start when you didn't think you deserved one? Maybe It's You is the heartbreaking and hopeful story of second (and third and fourth) chances, facing your past, grace and love. Maybe It's You has Candace Calvert's trademarks of romance, medical tension, drama, action, and heartwarming stories of the people who give of themselves to keep others safe.

Sloane is a character grounded in the reality of a broken world. Sloane has faced trauma from her childhood right up until her last post at San Diego Hope Hospital. We first met Sloane in Step By Step. Acerbic, alcoholic, with a shame-filled past that she wishes she could bury and yet to which she just keeps adding, Sloane pushes people as far away as she can get them. But in Step By Step a serious car crash leaves Sloane hospitalised and a colleague fighting for her life and Sloane decides to start turning her life around. But shaking her past won't be easy, especially when an ex-boyfriend with ties to the Russian mafia resurfaces and seems determined to involve Sloane.

At the start of Maybe Its You Sloane has moved away from San Diego to LA. She has changed her name and tried to cut all connections to her past. But a string of violent crimes and the hospital's own marketing campaign seem ready to out her hidden secrets. And the handsome marketing man, Micah isn't helping.

Micah and Sloane are set to clash right from the start. He is looking to find the face of LA Hope while she wants to stay safely hidden. He despises drunks after one killed his cousin, she is a recovering alcoholic. She lashes out at anyone who dares to get close, he knows there is more to her story. She hates condescending observers who have never experienced life's turmoil and he seems to fit that description exactly. But as tragedy keeps striking, Sloane discovers there is more to Micah than suit and polish, like volunteering for the crisis responders team and a history that has left him hurting.

Their romance starts off with an antagonistic confrontation, moves on through fear and threats to resigned tolerance and then friendship and only gets more complicated from there. A great love story that displays the value of compassion and understanding.

There is plenty of tension in this book, both in the medical setting and outside of it. Attempted kidnappings, shootings, mafia, sex trafficking, and all seemingly tied back to Sloane. Her journey includes discovering faith, relearning who God is and how He could love her, even when she doesn't think she is worth loving or forgiving. Micah, too, has his own trauma to work through.

Maybe It's You is a great addition to the Crisis Team series. I didn't love it as much as I did the previous two books, a bit too traumatic perhaps, but it still has that winning combination of action, drama and romance, all tied up with a heartwarming faith journey.

The publishers provided a complimentary copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Andi says**

Reading a Candace Calvert novel is like watching an episode of ER mixed with Law and Order, drama, action, suspense and even some love. I lost many hours of sleep reading this book, not that I'm complaining one bit! Sloane is a character that you will cheer for and hurt with as she deals with everything that is thrown at her, the story pulled me in from page 1, and held me captive until I turned the last page.

Highly recommended!

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### **Brittany says**

Maybe It's You is book three in the Crisis Team series. It can be read as a stand alone novel if you haven't read the earlier books. The only thing I feel that you will really lose in doing this, is understanding exactly how much Sloane has changed since the previous stories. It is a very drastic change. However, the author does a good job of catching the reader up if they don't know the things that have happened in the past few years in Sloane's life.

Sloane was definitely a character that I did not like in the previous books. It was eye opening to see what had occurred in her life to mold her into the person she was. It made her determination to change so much more meaningful and helped me to understand her better.

Micah was a great character. He was kind and honorable, yet struggled with an anger that he really never worked through from a past event. This anger and judgment did cause some problems in the story and it was quite a turning point for him when he realized that he needed to get over the things that were holding him down. I really enjoyed the development of Micah and Sloane's relationship. It felt very realistic and natural.

The author did a very good job of creating troubling situations not only for the main characters, but also for a group of side characters. She kept me guessing about the way everything would work out and surprised me

toward the end of the story with one reveal in particular!

I received a complimentary copy of this book. All opinions are my own.

You can read this review on my blog:

<https://brittreadsfiction.wordpress.c...>

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### **Carlien Peens says**

WOW!! WOW!! WOW!!! What an awesome story!!! I were given the book for a honest review by Tyndale House Publishers, during a time that we relocated from one town to another. So things were a bit crazy, and it was difficult to find time to read the book! But once I started I had to sneak a page (Or chapter!) here and there. Doing some unpacking, and then doing “some” reading! I was hooked!! So many people feel hopeless, feel snagged in hopelessness, and then this awesome reminder of God’s Grace!! Even when you don’t feel good enough, “God has your picture on His fridge”!! I want to share two life-changing quotes from Maybe it’s you with you: “So many people need that help, Sloane. They need to know they have value, that there’s hope no matter their pasts and current situation.”

“God never defines you by the past, but the enemy will try to confine you by it.”

Deep, deep revelation given to you in an awesomely written love inspired suspense!! Like me, you will cry with times, you will feel hopeful with times and then you will just rejoice in God’s grace and love for the characters!!

Expertly written! The plot is real and relevant! The characters are so believable, you’ll want to meet them in person!! The twists and turns in the plot will keep you reading on the edge of your seat to know more, even if you have to unpack!! I loved Maybe It’s You! Loved the romance, the suspense, loved the characters, loved the deeper message and absolutely loved the ending!!!

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### **Susan Snodgrass says**

Maybe It's You is the third book in Candace Calvert's 'Crisis Team' series. It's the best, in my opinion. Calvert is a retired trauma nurse, so she knows her stuff. I love medical drama and I love Christian fiction and I love suspense. Calvert manages to combine all three to the absolute best advantage. She crafts believable characters, has plot lines that keep readers on the edge of their chairs and the food she describes makes me want to pull up a chair alongside the characters as they partake of the delicious meals during the book. Seriously.

Sloane Ferrell is trying her best to hide from her past; she's changed her name, job and location. It's been six months without a blip and she's beginning to relax just a bit. Then one encounter in the hospital ER parking lot changes everything.

Micah Prescott is the hospital's marketing man and he's out to find the 'Face of Hope', the one employee who exemplifies what the hospital stands for, hope for all who enter the doors. He thinks it just might be Sloane Ferrell, but she doesn't want anything to do with it. Nothing whatsoever, and she tells him so in no uncertain terms.

Sloane's past is painful, even from young childhood and she trusts no one. She wants to trust Micah, but she's so very wary. Then pieces from her past begin to slip in and terrifies her. She is already dealing with so much pain and anxiety. How can she handle even one more tiny thing, much less something of this magnitude?

Calvert has created a wonderful book here, folks. Enough suspense is here to satisfy any suspense fan. I know it surely did me. A lot is going on here, too. Heartbreaking things. I was in tears several times during the reading.

In the midst of all this tension and suspense, Calvert has inserted the most powerful theme of God's grace, forgiveness, and redemption. Very powerful. She doesn't hold back one bit with her spiritual message and that's something that I admire in the author of a Christian fiction book. I have been ministered to many times reading CF books and this book is one reason why. During one particular scene in the hospital when Sloane is dealing with a homeless man had me weeping. Amazing.

God cares about all His creation, no matter what they've done or how they feel about themselves. He is standing by, right by your side, waiting to welcome this person with open arms. Don't miss this one. It's powerful.

\*I received a preview copy of this book from Net Galley in exchange for my honest review. All opinions are my own.

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## **Anne says**

I have been eagerly awaiting Sloane's story. From the first time she was introduced, I knew her story needed to be told. I was thrilled when I found out the author was going to feature her in *Maybe it's You*. While I didn't get to read the book all in one sitting, I sure wanted to. The drama taking place inside and outside of the hospital was mesmerizing. I seriously did not want to put the book down. This story is filled with suspense, action, medical jargon, faith, and forgiveness. Calvert has a way of putting the reader right into the heart of the battles that take place for people's lives on a daily basis. I have a lot of experience with emergency rooms and I felt like I could see, hear, feel, and smell everything in the ER. My heartstrings were pulled tight and squeezed until I almost couldn't breathe. But thankfully, no oxygen mask was needed! :-)

Sloane's past is heartbreaking, disturbing, and completely redeemable by our loving and grace-giving God. Her path to redemption was realistic in that she struggled with her self-worth and the horrid things she has been told by others who were only out to use and abuse her. When you've been treated this way, it's hard to believe that there is any forgiveness available.

Micah. Oh, Micah. Your journey almost leaves me speechless. How many times do we think we have it all figured out only to have something happen to show us that we have been harboring ill will or hard feelings about a certain situation and finally when we turn it over to the Lord, we are free!

I laughed and cried while reading *Maybe it's You*. There are moments in the story that are so very precious. One scene, in particular, had me tearing up and hoping I wasn't going to break down myself. Working together like a well-oiled machine, the compliment of characters is simply amazing. If I could, I would want to hear more about so many of them. They have cemented themselves in my heart for a long time to come. I'm secretly hoping that down the line, Coop and Zoey (two prominent secondary characters) get their own stories, even if it's in novella form.



If you're a fan of contemporary medical drama that keeps you riveted to the page and you haven't read the Crisis Team series, I highly recommend it! It's one of my all-time favorites. In fact, all of Calvert's books are on my keeper shelf.

I received an advanced reader copy of the book from the publisher and author. I was under no obligation to write a positive review. No compensation has been received.

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### **Mattie says**

Are you looking for a book with believable characters, medical drama and suspense? Look no further~ "Maybe It's You," is a must read.

This is the third installment of the "Crisis Team" series. It can be read as a stand alone novel, but why do that, when there are two more available to read.

Sloan Ferrell, is a returning character and the protagonist of "Maybe it's You. ". She has changed her name, job and whereabouts, in hopes of hiding from her painful past.

Sloane trusts no one. Will she ever gain trust from, Micha Prescott, the hospitals marketing man? I will not give the suspenseful plot away, but I will tell you that the writing is superb. The author brings to us her expertise in the field of medicine. Keep your tissues handy because there are several things that will touch your heart. I also recommend reading this book on a full stomach. Some of the delicious meals her cast of characters are eating sound absolutely scrumptious. This doesn't surprise me as she loves to cook when not writing.

There are powerful messages of hope in this novel which the author has successfully passed on to her many fans.

I would like to take the time to thank the publishers for an ARC, in exchange for an unbiased opinion. Kudos once again, Candace Calvert, for a job well done.

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### **Robbi Bourne says**

Once again, Candace Calvert has taken the medical world she lived in and brought it to life filled with realistic drama. This story contains every phase all readers of inspirational fiction look for – intriguing plot, well developed characters, romance, mystery, and realism.

Each one of her stories focuses on one of today's social tragedies. This book portrays the disrespect and pain given to young girls through human trafficking as well as sexual abuse and the effects these bring into adulthood.

ER nurse Sloane Ferrell has had to continue changing her location, hospital of employment, and name to keep ahead of those who would want to harm her. She has learned to be very discreet in her conversations

with fellow coworkers. Thus she has no close friends. When Micah Prescott, the hospital's marketing man and volunteer crisis responder, sought Sloane out, she took offense. However, she soon saw his compassionate heart for wounded and hurting people and she was drawn to him. Would she allow herself to open up to this man? Were there too many obstacles to permit a relationship to unfold?

Reader, you will not be able to put this book down. Your feelings will go full-circle from sadness and anger to "what could possibly happen next" and then finally to joy as you see God's working power in this beautiful, but aloof, lonely woman.

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## **Hannah says**

4.5 stars

While I didn't identify as closely with Sloane as I did with Taylor in the last book, I still really enjoyed this story. Sloane has issues, a boatload of them, and is all too aware of the fact. While others see her as doing everything she can to care for her patients, even ones other nurses don't like to help (smelly drunkards, etc), she sees herself as worthless and beyond grace. Add to that the whole bit, carried over from the second book, of her being still on the run from whoever her worthless ex-fiancé cheated and the people who knocked her car off a cliff in the last book.

I felt that the characters were quite interesting and the writing itself is excellent. Candace Calvert is a talented author and is newly on my favorites list. I especially appreciated that the romance wasn't just focused on looks and was free of sensuality, and that the book is free of profanity and crude slang.

Christian message: Sloane had believed for a time in her girlhood, but life got in the way and faith dropped aside. She now must accept that grace is even for such a she is.

Now, I'm an animal lover in general and always enjoy pets in stories. Cat lovers in particular are going to love Sloane's spunky black kitten, Marty!

I received a free ebook copy from NetGalley for review purposes. I am glad to report that, after getting approved to read this and realizing it was the last of a series, I got the other two books from the church library and have now discovered a great new-to-me author who was previously not on my radar. :)

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## **??Trea says**

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I've been reading this author for quite a while now, and it seems like things really changed at the end of the Grace Medical series. I found I had a lot of problems with the characters in the books and this one was no exception. I've hated Sloane since her first introduction, and this book was no exception to that.

To me, Sloane has always been this aloof, selfish character, and while she lost the selfishness, she is still very much an aloof person. We learn a bit of her reasoning behind that, but much of her path to redemption felt like she was just going through the motions because it was what others expected of her, not anything she wanted to do for herself. I felt that she never wanted the redemption, never wanted the close relationship with God, and that she would be perfectly happy moving on when things got too tough for her.

Micah was a hard character for me to understand. I could understand his grieving, and even understand his anger toward people who drank and drove, but it seemed like he took it one step further and hated anyone who drank alcohol at all! It felt irrational, and judgemental. By the end of the book, he even realized that he was being so judgemental!

The relationship between Micah and Sloane felt forced, awkward, and slightly manipulative. Sloane held too much of herself back, having too many secrets that weren't good for herself. I couldn't see how they would make it work, with how little Micah knew of Sloane.

While the overall romance plot was lackluster at best, what really kept me interested in this book was the Russian Mafia/Human Trafficking sub-plot. Those characters really got under my skin! I started really caring about what happened to the girls, wondering if they would survive. It shed some light on a murky and ugly topic, and I'm sure it was tough to tackle!

All things considered, I'm rather hesitant to continue to purchase books by the author with how much I've disliked these past 4 books. Likely as not, I'll request from the library first.

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