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When attorney Marcus Glenwood resigns from his prestigious corporate law firm to retreat to the small town of Rocky Mount, North Carolina, and rebuild his life after a devastating personal tragedy, he has no idea that the biggest, most emotionally trying case of his entire career is about to fall into his backyard. It is a fragile and spiritually wounded Glenwood who first meets his distraught clients, Alma and Austin Hall. Their daughter, Gloria, has disappeared in China while investigating the slavlike labor practices of a factory owned by the international giant New Horizons, the world's largest manufacturer of sports shoes and athletic gear. Moved and persuaded by Alma's pleading, Marcus agrees to take their case. But he cannot know how quickly his investigation will begin to untangle a web of greed and deceit stretching from Washington D.C., across international borders - or how desperately his former law colleagues will try to prevent him from uncovering the truth.

The Great Divide Details

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Marilyn K says

Wow, and double wow! The author led the reader through one surprise revelation after another. The masterful weaving of all the stories within the greater story were amazing. I will definitely seem out more books by this author.

Debbie Phillips says

This is the first in a series of 3 books by one of my favorite authors.

Unfortunately I read book 3 of the series first. I was given a copy free in order to review it on my blog. I had a hard time making myself read it because book 3 had given away some of the story. But, once I determined that I was going to MAKE myself finish I really got into it and polished it off in only a couple days.

Bunn writes Christian fiction with a very adventurous flair. His books are always exciting and full of action. This series is about a lawyer. A small court case becomes an international affair with a half dozen lawyers on one side and a 'little' country lawyer with only one old retired lawyer/judge on his side. Murders, kidnapping, assault, mystery... this is a Bunn novel.

But central also is a faith message.

Deacon Wilbur preaches a message and in it the title of the book...

“Brothers and sisters, just because you're busy doesn't mean you're moving in the right direction. No. Can I have me an amen?”

The crowd sang it's chant of accord.

'You're not drawing closer to the goal just on account of you're making good time. No. The task here isn't to be busy. No. The world is full of the lost and alone, filling every crack in the mask they use to hide an empty heart with busy.’” (pg 177-178)

'You got to work for something bigger, something finer, something eternal. You got to cross the great divide to make your work matter. You got to march over the bridge set in place by perfect sacrifice. The bridge God for you and you alone.’” (pg 178)

My favorite quote is on pg 181...

“Hello, Judge. How're you this fine day!”

'Partial to sleep. Libby made enough racket to wake the dead.'

Momma always said food tastes better if you bang the pans.’”

A wonderful series. I happened to read book 3 first. I don't recommend doing that. This series is one that needs to be read in order. I will be reading book 2 sometime soon. I want to finish the series.

Shakaela says

Had to read this for English; at first I was really bored by it, especially how most of the book is set in a courtroom with people discussing endlessly. Close to the end it gets GOOD. I'm grateful I read it now because I learnt much about slave labour practices. For me it wasn't a legal "thriller" at all.

Randy Alcorn says

T. Davis Bunn kept me up past 1:00 AM two nights in a row. I don't regret the lost sleep for a moment! The Great Divide is a gripping courtroom drama, raising concerns of immense importance. It held me right to the end.

Debbie says

Super

At first I thought do I really want to read and then I was hooked. So much information and so heart breaking.

Alsie says

It was a little hard to get into for me with the law themes and the court case sessions (which I find rather boring reading or watching.), but once I got into it, it was suprisingly better than I thought it would be. The characters were well formed and real, the plot didn't purely stick to the court case and had a few subplots, which made things interesting, and I like the way Bunn makes you question things, therefore giving you the urge to read on to discover what happens. :)

Also I loved the way it dealt with finding justice against the injustice of the world, and how the ending made you feel satisfied and happy with all the research and troubles that Marcus and his team went through, that all ended up being worthwhile. Overall, the book tied up very nicely after all the myteriousness you experience reading the book.

Cathy says

This is Christian fiction at its best. Engaging, suspenseful and well research - an enjoyable read!

Elizabeth says

Marcus Glenwood, attorney, has lost most everything he holds dear. When he moves into and refurbishes his grandparents old home, he finds himself surrounded by people who care. He is approached to take a case of a

missing young woman in China. He runs headlong into two attorneys from the firm he quit and a huge corporation that will do anything to stop him.

What follows will pull you through Marcus' personal trials and struggle for faith and self worth.

There is enough suspense and diversity of characters to keep the reader's interest - cheering for Marcus and those suffering alongside.

This story of forgiveness, redemption, and love had me wanting to read his next book in this series.

Linda Goff says

Action packed.....

I have been a fan of this author for a good many years and he never disappoints me.....I could not put this book down until I finished it.....this is about the almighty dollar and to what lengths companys, individuals and governments will go to fill their pockets.

Liz says

A very engaging and quick read. Reminded me in some ways of John Grisham's early work, especially "A Time to Kill."

Jerry says

A gripping legal thriller! It kept my interest the whole time!

Tim Chavel says

I very much enjoyed this book. first the only bad part of my review. I buy lots of books at GoodWill. Several years ago I bought a book by T. Davis Bunn by the title *Winner Take All* and when I started reading read it the book did not make sense. It took be a lot of searching to find this was the third in a series by Bun. I wished the books made note of this.

This novel *The Great Divide* is a story about a college student who while working on her thesis finds some wrong doing in a factory in China. Most of the book is set in the courtroom. The hero is a character named Marcus. The author does a great job helping the reader get to know Marcus and feel his heart beat. If you enjoy court room drama and Christian fiction then you will love this book!

Pat betz says

Riveting!

Anyone who enjoys a well written mystery will enjoy this book. It is a real page turned that cannot be put down once started. Although it deals with tragic topics and circumstances, it is not overly violent and graphic.

Shirlee Croson says

A Real Page Turner from the First to the Last Page

Held my interest & kept me up nights reading. Filled with intrigue and much "reality." I will recommend this book to several friends.

Maddy B says

This book caught me in the beginning. The story line was amazing and loved the characters, the courtroom scenes (they were AWESOME) and how descriptive everything was!

The only thing I would say negative about it was that it got to be a little long, but I still really enjoyed it!!
