



Manuscript

- 95,000 word manuscript
- first in a series of three
- accompanying book club questions & Bible study



About the Author

- multi-published nonfiction author (devotions, features, and more)
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Katie & Lydia

How can the story of a 16th century nun change the life of her 21st century descendant?

Book One

Katie & Lydia is the first in a three-book series of dual timeline stories that explores one question: Am I enough?

This book begins to unravel the connection between two women separated by 500 years and 5,000 miles and the one ring that changes everything.

The Electorate of Saxony, 1505. Katie is six years old, spunky and curious, the daughter of German nobility. When her happy childhood is shaken, she's catapulted into a world of silence and strangers. She wants to become a faithful servant, but she often wonders, am I enough? She's supposed to meditate, pray and be silent, but this is nearly impossible for her. When she learns about the teachings of the scandalous reformer, Dr. Luther, she's confused. Who am I? Who is God? Her questions and her escape from the convent change her life dramatically and perhaps the life of her descendant, Lydia. Years later, a rebel monk with a ring may help her find her place back in the world.

Five centuries later outside Chicago in 2009, Lydia K. Harrison's husband disappears and leaves her bankrupt. She used to be happy with a new pair of shoes. Now, she has to sell the house, cancel her botox, and pretend life is good. When her estranged mother falls, Lydia returns home to long-buried secrets and new beginnings.

Katie & Lydia is a redemptive tale with a nod to history, a hint of mystery, and a touch of romance.

Books Two & Three

The next two books in the series will also be set in the same small Michigan town where readers will see what happens to Lydia, her marriage, her extended family, the family pub, and her friends. Lydia and family will hunt for the long-lost Katie ring and learn about where it has been and how it has changed lives. Similar to iconic *The Gilmore Girls* which many of my readers will know and love, this book series will include quirky, lovable characters while following the grandmother-daughter-granddaughter relationships as they learn to love each other. The historic timeline will leave the original Katie ring and follow one of the twelve copies made as it is gifted, stolen, sold, and inherited through centuries and countries until it arrives in the present day St. Ernest, Michigan.