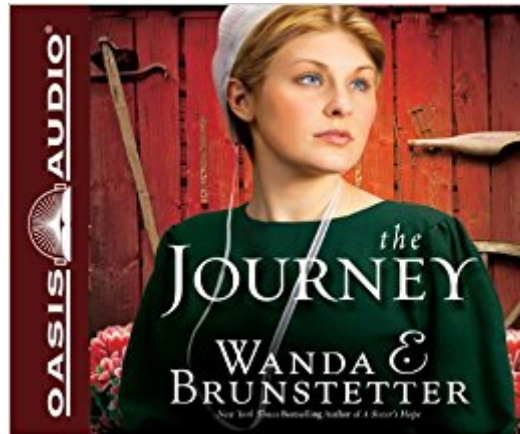




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The Journey (Kentucky Brothers)



Synopsis

Can a heart once torn by love's rejection find a new beginning? Titus Fisher has often made poor choices. When he lived in Pennsylvania he chose the wrong girl, who broke his heart. When he moves to Kentucky, he finally discovers that he possesses woodworking skills. Will he stick with it or return to the old comforts and love from his life in Lancaster? Suzanne Yoder's talents don't lie in the traditional Amish kitchen, but she suppresses artistic skills that are frowned on by those in her community who believe a woman's place is in the home. Will she find an ally in the broody newcomer? Will each of their journeys to self-worth end with romance in Christian County, Kentucky?

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Customer Reviews

Brunstetter (A Sister's Hope) sets her latest among the Kentucky Amish; the story may have moved, but the rest of the Amish plot is pretty familiar. Titus Fisher's heart is broken after his girlfriend, Phoebe Stoltzfus, who can't commit to him or to the Amish faith, moves to California. Englischer and family friend Allen Walters is passing through Lancaster County, Pa., to Kentucky, and he happens to know of an available job for a carpenter. So off go Titus and Allen to Kentucky, where Titus meets Suzanne Yoder, a young Amish woman who can't cook but who can do woodworking, and who painfully resembles Phoebe. There's growing and forgiving to do, as well as a fair amount of eating. Some of the plot complications are sensibly organic Phoebe's return is logical. Others are purely arbitrary stolen money in Titus's telephone shed and verge on amateur. Yet

given the appetite for Amish fiction, publishers haven't yet hit the limit for shoofly pies. While she's not the best of the bonnet bunch, Brunstetter's been at this a while now, and her readership will wilkom this. (Apr.) (c) Copyright PWxyz, LLC. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I really loved this story. You can usually tell in stories like this that if the guy starts out hating the girl they usually end up together, but I was really left guessing who he would pick until the end. The story also contains a mystery about some money that is found that I found really interesting too. I liked seeing how Titus really grew throughout the book and started really find his way in life. He included God in helping him make those decisions and I think that really helped him in the end. Suzanne also grows in this story and people learn to accept her for who she really is and not who she is expected to be. I really loved this story and would recommend it to people who enjoy Amish fiction or inspirational fiction. (Lori Adams 20110113) This story was very sweet and I just loved Titus and Pheobe. I was a little confused by some of the characters in Lancaster, it seemed that I was missing something and I now realize Wanda E. Brunstetter has many Amish stories out and it seems they are characters from previous books. It did not take away from the story, it just makes me want to pick up some of the previous novels. This was a nice, clean christian book that was a refreshing read. (Denise Schirmuhly Goodreads 20110119) I loved this story - the broken hearts, the family interactions, the community, the misunderstandings, the mystery, the drama, and the reliance on God. I experienced a vast array of emotions while I read - joy, frustration, fear, relief, pain - as well as laughing out loud, shedding a few tears, and lots of smiles. I would recommend this novel to anyone who would enjoy inspirational fiction, Amish fiction, or a sweet love story. (Barbara Beers Good Reads 20110123) Wanda has a way of bringing in sorrow and humor together that makes you feel at ease. ã Æ One minute you feel sorry for Titus on how insecure he is and the next you are laughing when he falls in a pile of manure. I also love the innocent humor among the characters. ã Æ I was laughing out loud through quite a few pages causing stares from some people (guess they never read a good book). ã Æ This was a fun and easy read. ã Æ If you have reservations of starting a Amish read give some a try. I am glad I did. ã Æ (Barbara Hightower The World of Book Reviews 20110127) I enjoyed reading sort of a continuation of the Fisher family from the Daughters of Lancaster County series. I liked that this story focused on one of the twins. Suzanne Yoder is granddaughter to the owner of the woodworking shop where Titus is working in Kentucky. I thought it was refreshing how she was unable to cook, not interested in finding a husband, and wanted more than anything to join her male family members in the family's woodshop.

Suzanne grows in this book, but ultimately stays true to herself. I was really impressed by this novel and am excited to read the rest of the series. (Samantha McMahon Good Reads 20110315) This book for me was inspiring. I can relate to Titus, in a very realistic way. I love reading inspirational stories that offer hope for the future. ~ ~ Personally I could not put, The Journey, down. I wanted to read it till it was finished. I was intrigued by the story line, and captivated by the series of events. ~ ~ Mrs. Brustetter does a wonderful job at integrating a great deal of emotions into one book. She captures the reader's attention, through adventure, suspense, love and faith. ~ ~ This book inspires others to look at the motives of their hearts. It also teaches us valuable lessons of forgiveness, family, love and redemption. (Sharise Toombs Christian Book Reviews 20110304) Ms Brunstetter has written extensively about the Amish and her novels are full of color, family, personal hope, disappointment, confusion, and love. ~ ~ People often forget that just because their lifestyle is completely governed by their faith, they still encounter the same challenges and problems everyone must resolve. ~ ~ They are imperfect people as are all of us, they don't always do the wisest thing, they get upset at each other and their children have the same struggles growing up. ~ ~ If anything, the restrictive way of life can sometimes make growing up even more difficult, although those guidelines, while seeming to oppress, are just live very good fences which keep people and other creatures safe. I greatly enjoyed this novel and found their ways of relating to be heart-warming and inspirational. ~ ~ My own family has a very strong faith base, but whether or not that is the case with readers, there are still wonderful scenes in this book to be encountered and genuine people to meet. ~ ~ While it is fiction, it very accurately reflects the way families and individuals resolve their questions, problems, and challenges. ~ ~ And like all of us, Titus learns that he has the capability to make choices that will insure a measure of happiness for him and any future family he may have. This is really an old-fashioned love story and I hope you all will read it soon. ~ ~ (Judith Hirsch-Kikejs Dr. J's Book Place 20110226) This is a great book and I can't wait until the fall when the next in the series comes out "The Healing" (Edna Tollison My Favorite Things Reading and Reviewing 20110401) As you follow along with the story you will have some very sad, moving moments, and some really laugh out loud times. The trust in the Lord is seen in both families is very inspirational. This is a wonderful story, and I can't wait for the next book in the series. (Maureen Timerman Maureen's Musings 20110303) Wanda E. Brunstetter integrates a montage of issues - parents dealing with rebellious children, opposition to women doing a man's job, letting go of grown children, finding self-worth, total Reliance in God - into one captivating book. Amid intrigue, drama, misunderstandings, and romance, the main characters learn valuable life lessons and mature along the way. ~ ~ Recommend this page-turner for fans of Amish novels and

inspirational fiction. (Nancy Kanafani CBA Retailers 20110405) Wanda E. Brunstetter's *The Journey* is the first book in the new Kentucky Brothers series. We meet Titus Fisher, who desperately needs to start a new life after having his heart broken by Phoebe Stoltzfus, the woman he'd grown up planning to marry. Titus decides to make a change, and an Amish community in Christian County, Kentucky, seems like just the right place to do it. In Christian County Titus becomes intrigued with Suzanne Yoder, who is an unusually talented woman, struggling to fit into the traditional parameters of the Amish life. But what will Titus do when Phoebe shows up unexpectedly, suddenly ready to marry him? Brunstetter smoothly leads us on a life journey with Titus and the many characters we meet in this new series. New and longtime fans of Amish fiction will be eager to continue the travels with book two, *The Healing* (on sale in September), and book three, *The Struggle*. (Dee Ann Grand BookPage 20110411) I thought *The Journey* was a beautiful story, and having never read another Amish fiction book set in Kentucky, it kept things very interesting. The usual setting is Pennsylvania or Ohio, so that initially made this book unique. We also saw a lot more of the man's perspective as large parts of the book were about Titus' thoughts and feelings. I also loved the ending. I won't give it away, but I will say it leaves you wanting more, waiting for the next book, but without being upset the author cut off at such a point. Still, I will be reading the next book in the series, *The Healing*, (and maybe if I am lucky I can do an advance review!) (Camille Buffenmeyer A Book a Day 20110412) *The Journey* is a wonderful story with beautifully developed characters and a detailed, complex plot. Brunstetter takes us on a journey around the US, with the story happening simultaneously in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and California. (Tonya Scott Mrs. Scott Reads 20110406) Once again, I was impressed with the work of Wanda Brunstetter (Tammy Graham Love My 2 Dogs 20110418) I was so excited to catch up with the Fisher family from my favorite Wanda Brunstetter series, *Daughters of Lancaster County*. I really enjoyed how Wanda weaved that past series into this new book and how we were able to see how the family has grown. I can't believe how it ended and can't wait to read the next one in the series! (Jodie Moore Mom's Pace 20110421) Another great book by Wanda E. Brunstetter. (Jenny Blake Come Meet AusJenny 20110503) Amish fiction is one of my favorite categories of fiction. Wanda Brunstetter is a pro at this type of fiction and keeps churning out book after book that delights readers all over the world, including me. This book was a great read and it was a very easy and inspiration read. (Janis Rodgers The Near Sighted Bookworm 20110509) This book is more than a love story, but it deals with young adults coming into their own and finding their own life's path. I loved it! (Barb M. Book Bargains and Previews) *The Journey* by Wanda E. Brunstetter kicks off a brand new series (called "Kentucky Brothers")

that centers on Titus Fisher as he begins a new life in Christian County, Kentucky. Leaving his past, Titus meets two different women---one a potential girlfriend and the other, a painful reminder of a lost love. I was definitely caught up in this series and can't wait to share The Healing with you this fall! (Susan Choy Five Star Reviewed Books and More) --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

A 5-star, must read story written by Wanda. I honestly felt like I was living my life right along with the characters. A heartfelt story that will be sure to capture you. You won't be able to put "The Journey" down. Looking forward to starting the next book in The Kentucky Brothers Series - The Healing. Well done Wanda. Well done

I do not like to give a book 2 stars. However, I can not honestly say I like the book. I really have enjoyed Wanda's books, and I had looked forward to reading this one, but the more I got into it the less I wanted to read. It didn't flow well. For the most part was predictable and rather boring. I almost didn't finish it. The one thing I did like was that one of the women characters was non traditional.

This is 1st of Kentucky Bros. Very slow moving and boring. Titus cannot commit to Suzanne for most of the book until last couple of chapters. The 2nd book is same slow and boring. Wanda is missing her mark on writing it seems. Used to love reading her books, however, she seems to always have death, sadness, etc. and very slow moving going nowhere till the last couple of chapters. The 2nd book leaves you hanging so that you will read the third one when it comes out. I will not be reading the 3rd book, these books cause the reader to become bored and frustrated because nothing ever happens, nothing to look forward to or want the reader to keep reading. Both of these books took a lot for me to finish them at all. Don't recommend.

This book would be good for any mother struggling to let her child grow up into an adult to read. This young man is 23yrs. old and yet his mother refuses to let him grow up and take on responsibilities of an adult. She is amish and yet she doesn't trust the God she believes in to watch over her son as he makes decisions on his own. It is a really good read. I liked it. It always amazes me at how some of the amish in the stories hide things from their spouses instead of disguising them. Is this the way it really is? I hope not. It shows the struggles of young love and trust in another once someone else has hurt you very bad. This book did not disappoint me at all.

The Journey is another outstanding example of Wanda Brunstetter's talent for taking us into the lives of her characters. She weaves the story of Titus so well that you really are not sure what decisions he will make. We are on his life altering journey as he faces tough challenges, personal angers, and feelings of bitterness. Add the mixture of people in the Amish communities of Pennsylvania and Kentucky with love of family, love of God, and human imperfections and you have another winner from Mrs. Brunstetter. I plan to order the next ebook immediately!

oh my gosh. I love this book and this author. I am already on the 2nd book. I wish there were more than 3 books in the series. Maybe the author would consider it. I had a hard time putting it down. Very good read. Anyone would love this book.

Bought this book for my mom for Mother's Day. She loves it. She has already read it and passed along to a friend for her to enjoy. Thanks for the great price and the opportunity to hear a smile in my mom's voice when she called me to say "Thank you!"

One of the Queens of Amish themed books. I've not yet read a Brunstetter book which wasn't really good. I never hesitate to acquire one of her books when they come out. Often I've taken advantage of the pre-order price guarantee (which lowers the price to any lower/sale price offering prior to it's release.

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