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And those qualities are just what her nearly half a million social media followers adore about her. Her *Odd(ly) Enough* is a message that your heart needs to hear: *It's time to embrace the "you" God made you to be. Tune out the naysayers of the world and jump into His loving arms. He'll walk alongside you as you passionately pursue your God-given purpose.* With chapters like “Who Do You Think You Are?,” “Control Freak,” and “Mistakes and Grace,” you will find yourself becoming a little more courageous. . .and a *lot* more confident about God’s purpose for your life.

Odd(ly) Enough: Standing Out When the World Begs You To Fit In Details

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Tara Mays says

This book is amazing it is about how God spoke to Carolann and she said yes right then and there also it is about when your life gets so hard that u can barely keep going u give it all to God

Norrine says

Enjoyable book. I found the middle a little preachy but I love the point of the book. You are not defined by your circumstances, changes can be made, it is up to you.

Stephanie Keefe says

Ok, so #OddlyEnough in my humble opinion is odd(ly) enough a sharable book for the masses. And when I say masses I mean (and with no discriminatory innuendo) a must read for EVERY woman in any season of life. Carolanne (Aka CA) Miljavac has delivered her life story on paper for all to hear. Stories of grief, bullying, molestation and “white trailer trash,” sprinkled with humor in order for her to “get er done” I reckon must have been exhausting and exhilarating at the same time. I personally cannot imagine but I’m so grateful for her courage, tenacity and relentless truth telling.

Although this book is faith based, I believe that without CA’s faith and life experiences this book would never have come to fruition. It takes a special gift, mixed with abundant blessings to pour out your heart and soul for all to read. She can’t possibly get more “naked” and transparent.

#OddlyEnough is a “come as you are” soul searching (and seeking!!) story and whether you are of faith or not I promise this is a “can not put down til it’s finished” kind of book. Mark it up—highlight it—write down thoughts that are relatable and post them where you can see them daily. Pray over statements that speak to you. The pages of Carolanne’s words will resonate, melt in your mouth, while offering up hope and inspiration in this world filled with so much negativity. She sure was generous and soul bearing so you may as well eat it all up. Yum!!

So grab yourselves a box of tissues and be prepared to find yourselves humbled beyond all imaginable. This book is electric, powerful, Spirit induced and vulnerably blended together with pieces of a human’s heart that fit together like a magical puzzle. Better yet—CA is doing the work God has entrusted her with since she was in her mama’s womb. God said, “Speak!” So she obeyed.

disclaimer I was blessed with the first 5 chapters via Kindle download and I can not wait to get my hands on the hard copy!

Cassie says

Brutally honest and moving. Hilarious and raw. I can't imagine anyone reading this and not relating to at least one story in this book. We all have a past, secrets, insecurities and Carolanne talks openly about dealing with hers and shares how she's learned to cope and thrive in this short and precious life we've been given. It's full of hard truths that I know we probably all connect to. This book is most definitely worth your time! #OddlyEnough

Emma says

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I highly recommend reading.

Carolanne shares her challenges in her life.

Odd(ly) Enough:by Carolanne Miljavac is a wonderful well written 5 star book.

Jessica says

This book is absolutely heartwarming! This emotional yet loving read is what God has called us to do, Testify to what he has done in our lives. Turning what we see as ugly and horrible into beauty. Carolanne's selflessness and vulnerability in this book is one to be admired, she is not afraid to tell all as she loves people and just wants them to know that God loves them, and YOU can get through this! I definitely cried and laughed while reading this and could relate on so many levels.

Taylor says

I loved this book, I could hear Carolanne's southern accent ringing through every page:). This book made me really think about a lot of things, especially about being a good example, as a Christian, I know I should always set a good example, but I know I fall short in this area sometimes, But thanks to Carolanne, I am going to try to work on that.

I won this book from a Goodreads giveaway.

Patricia Pate says

Carolanne Miljavac knows how to keep a person's attention. I fell in love with Carolanne as she told about growing up in Alabama. She described her life in ways that made me want to reach through the pages of the book and give her a great big hug. This book takes you through all the emotions. I laughed, I cried, I got angry, and I loved. Carolanne lays it all out there for the reader. The good, the bad, and the ugly, but does it in a way that keeps a reader coming back for more. She loves God and doesn't care who knows it. She is real about her life, and she isn't afraid to put herself out there. Reading this book has changed me for the better. If you have gotten away from God, or just need a refresher, then this book is for you. If you feel that you are not good enough, or you don't love yourself, then this book is for you. If you have had a lot of storms and fiery trials in life and are discouraged, then this book is for you. If you love God and want a closer relationship with Him, then this book is for you. I am so excited for this book's release so that I can buy copies and give as gifts to loved ones.

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Lisa Collins says

You must READ THIS BOOK!! This book is a beautiful blend of hard, heartfelt truth & humor. Carolanne boldly shares her story of heartbreak, and hardship while giving hope, and freedom. She invites the reader to see the most broken pieces of our lives in a new and purposeful way. Her raw authenticity gives you a friend and a safe place to face your own struggles. I recommend this book to anyone who has experienced loss, or hurts, so basically the whole human race. I believe that anyone, from any walk of life, will find something that they relate to in this book, and will feel that there is a nugget of truth in it that was meant specifically for them.

(I received a digital copy of this book from the publisher prior to release)

Mary Thomas says

I received a few chapters in advance from the publisher for the purpose of giving my honest review, so.. here it is. What I loved most about this book is how honest and real the author is. She opens herself up to the reader and shows all of who she is – her flaws and mistakes laid bare. She is a real person just like you and I. Miljavac shares her joys, pain, and struggles in life and the effect they had on her faith in God. She takes you on a journey to discover that who you are – all that you are – is enough. What I've taken away from this book is that I'm not meant to be perfect in this life. I can stop struggling for a perfection that I will never achieve this side of Heaven. It really is okay to make mistakes and struggle with life, to have doubts and fears and

worries. As Miljavac says in her book, "It is in our greatest moments of imperfection, when we are broken and humbled, aware of our need for God, that He comes in and shows us the beauty in our ashes. So everything that we think makes us an outcast is actually what makes us...oddly...enough. If you've ever felt insignificant, out of place, uncomfortable, or unqualified, I want to encourage you that it doesn't matter. Where you come from, what you've done, what's been done to you. You have been qualified by the character in your fall. The hardest parts of your life have given you the greatest value." I highly recommend this book to anyone that has ever felt they were alone or felt as though they could never measure up. I think you'll find you are, oddly, enough just as you are.

Sarah says

Carolanne writes about the freedom she has found in Christ. From an authentic perspective, as a reader we get the glimpse into how God has wired Carolanne and how He has restored her from a difficult past. This book gives hope to any reader who has struggled to find freedom.

From giving up control, to all the allowing the Lord to take control, Carolanne knows what it's like to spend time daily in the presence of God. When we grow for ourselves, we grow for others. This book isn't just about the journey Carolanne went on with God, but the journey that each reader goes on with God as well. I highly encourage you to give this book a read.

Bethany says

"How could you ever know just how strong you are if your strength has never been tested?" This is just one of many thought provoking questions that Carolanne Miljavac challenges her readers with in her new book, *Oddly Enough*. She is honest, sharing many personal stories and situations from her life, and how God helped her to not only deal with the situations, but use them for good and for personal growth. I enjoyed her style of writing, as it felt like I was chatting with a friend. The book was encouraging, but Miljavac also did not sugar coat the truth. I would recommend this book to anyone who has struggled with abuse, anxiety, poverty, or any other tough life situation. This book will help you to "let your worries go so you're left only with God."

I received a copy of this book from the publisher, through Net Galley. All opinions are my own.

Ann-Marie says

Say, Amen!

Oh, no! A Jesus book. Oh, yes! Carolanne Miljavac has a way of telling God's truth that makes sense, and will have all you moms and young women out there nodding your heads and shouting, "Sing it, sister!"

We are all goofy, flawed and wonderful, just the way He made us.I

This book was not what I thought I was getting, but it was one of the best books I have ever picked up by mistake.

I received this book free in exchange for an honest review on Goodreads.com.

Melissa says

So I just finished CA's book, Odd(ly) Enough... which I just bought literally YESTERDAY... Oh. My. Gosh. I seriously couldn't put it down. This girl had so much to say and she said all of it straight to my heart. I went through probably half a box of tissues, there was a whole lot of head nodding in agreement and laughing out loud all throughout this book. I absolutely loved it. And let me tell you, I squealed like a fan girl when she mentioned "the next book"... I can't wait. I totally recommend pretty much anything CA related, but I can honestly say that her book is powerful, promising and hits the nail on the head over and over again. So good! I'm so proud of you Carolanne, you're doing amazing things and I'm so excited to see it all unfold.

Lynda Edwards says

I sometimes select a book based on author, other times the title may catch me, and sometimes, yes, I judge strictly by the cover. This time, however, I chose to read this book based on its subtitle. That may seem strange, but when you have teen and preteen girls in your life and they daily experience the pressure to fit in, this book called to me as a potential resource.

Oddly Enough, I had not heard of Carolanne Miljavac until now. But I really enjoyed her relatable, conversational style. She sounds like someone I'd love to have coffee with and listen to for a long time. There is a lot of wisdom and truth packed into these pages. Her story is difficult to read at times, but I absolutely loved how she models the truth that God will use EVERYTHING to the good of those who love Him and are called according to His purpose.

That being said, this is not a book I would put into a young teen's hands. Her story is real and perhaps too graphic for someone who does not yet have the resources to cope with the kind of testimony that Miljavac relates in gut-wrenching portions of text that broke my heart. Her history uniquely qualifies her to speak into the lives of those who have experienced similar trauma and the aftermath of those choices inflicted on her. She focuses on the choices we do have, and on moving forward and the healing that is possible.

So, while this book was not necessarily about loving who God created you to be and refusing to go along with the crowd, in a way it was, just deeper and more profound than what I was looking for as I began the book. I'm glad I read it—the author has a unique, enjoyable voice and made me look at things from a fresh perspective, leaving me encouraged and motivated to focus on my calling regardless of how the world may feel about it.

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