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Working with the FBI to capture human traffickers, Master Raoul scores an invitation to a slave auction. To his surprise, one slave is the kidnapped friend of a Shadowlands submissive. Although Kim's body is scarred, her spirit is unbroken, and he can't leave her behind. Ruining the FBI's plans, he buys her.

Kimberly's freedom has come at a devastating price: the other women are still imprisoned. Desperate to help the Feds locate the traffickers, she agrees to pose as Master Raoul's slave. Although wearing a collar again is terrifying, Kim starts to heal and then to blossom under the powerful Dominant's care.

"Submission." It's what she's been drawn to--and fled from--her entire life. She has escaped the slavers who captured her body. Escaping the Master who has captured her heart will be far more difficult.

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Baba says

3.5 stars.

Nia says

Wow! I jumped in so fast after book 5 that I didn't even have time to update my status. Book 6 - To Command and Collar - is the story of Raoul and Kimberly. She is a victim of "real" non-consensual sexual slavery and trafficking. I don't like giving stories away, but if you like a good, hot BDSM story with a great plot and suspense, THIS is it. I could not put it down. Halfway through the book, I had to stop and remember to breathe because it was so nerve racking.

You rarely get to read an entire BDSM series about men that are respectful, emotional, loving, professional, intuitive, powerful and understanding. Each woman is strong, brave, intelligent and admirable. Cherise has given each character a clear voice and she really outdid herself with Raoul. He is my favorite master of them all.

To Command and Collar is also a real eye opener. BDSM is not only about furry handcuffs, play rooms and erotic fun. Sexual trafficking is a distortion of BDSM and is REAL. Women around the world are becoming victims of horrific sexual violence and slavery rings. This book explores this dark terrifying world. It also shows how Raoul and Kim's consensual BDSM relationship is used as therapy to try to repair her broken trust and heal the abuse.

Do not hesitate to start the Masters of the Shadowlands series and read all 6 books. Can't wait for book #7. Cherise Sinclair is a master of her craft!

Esra says

yes I read all of them and

Jen says

Raoul and Kimberly

Full review at *Fiction Vixen* Book Reviews

“The rest of the time, you submit completely to me,” Master R said. He leaned forward, holding her eyes. “For sex, for clothing, for food and exercise. As we lived before. You are mine.”

I am always on the lookout for a realistic BDSM writer so I was thrilled when I discovered Cherise Sinclair about one year ago. After reading one of her Masters of Shadowlands books I went out and bought all 5 of them.

In book 5, Make Me, Sir, FBI specialist Gabi goes undercover at Club Shadowlands as bait to a human slavers ring . The assignment is very important to Gabi as her friend Kimberly was one of the women taken from a club. Gabi and Marcus are not able to break up the main ring but the FBI does not give up on the search for the rest of the women. Raoul, Master R and a well known Dom, volunteers to go undercover and is invited to attend a small slave auction. To his surprise, Kimberly is one of the slaves that is up for auction.

Kimberly has recently been returned to the Overseer because she tried to kill her last owner. For that she punished and knifed. She barely hung onto her life only surviving because some fellow slaves stitched her up and nursed her back to health. The Overseer has decided she is ready to go back on the market. When Kimberly first sees Master R she vows to do anything to not let him purchase her. He is a big man that is no stranger to hard labor and his body shows it. Kimberly is convinced that he will be the end of her.

Even though Raoul is supposed to turn down buying a slave so that he can have access to the bigger auctions he cannot resist rescuing Kimberly and taking her home. Once they arrive home the FBI somehow manages to talk Kimberly into posing as Raoul’s slave so they can still have an in with the slave traders. This sets up the development of their Dom/sub relationship and the eventual future for Kimberly and Master R.

Ms. Sinclair is simply a master, no pun intended, when it comes to writing BDSM. I am not sure is she practices in real life however, if not, she has done her research. When I read her books I do not feel like I am looking in at a cheesy forced relationship. The men she writes about are dominant, hard, skilled and all knowing when it comes to the women they are topping. And watching each of them fall has been awesome. Even though they each have subs now they still remain dominant and alpha. It is nice to be able to still see each of the couples as they exist in the Shadowlands world.

One thing you can always count on with Ms Sinclair is the creativity of her sex scenes. Sometimes I have to read them two or three times just to wrap my head around the stuff she comes up with. In each book she introduces a new “element” or technique that I have never heard of. In this book Raoul’s specialty is fire play. Master R does several scenes with Kimberly where he uses fire play. It is difficult to describe so I will just so say go read the book! Hopefully you will be in awe like I was.

I don’t want to finish my review without saying this was probably the most emotionally draining book I have read by Ms. Sinclair. Kimberly is a victim of serious abuse and she has an inner strength that I really admired. To survive the things she was subjected to and still be able to be a strong human being on the other end is a pretty amazing. Ms. Sinclair wrote her character beautifully without making her seem like a beaten down victim. The subject of human slavery has been touched upon in several of her latest books but this was the first time we actually read about one of the victims. I think Ms Sinclair did a wonderful job of portraying emotions a person in that situation would experience. At one time Kim thinks, “Dreams die before people do.”. Such a powerful statement and one of great strength.

There are still hints of trainee Sally hooking up with the two FBI agents, Galen and Kouros. If that is the next book, then sign me up. That will be even yummier on top of Ms. Sinclair’s normal talent!

So if you are a fan of BDSM and have not read Cherise Sinclair- go do it! NOW! You will not be disappointed. Final grade- A

Favorite Quote:

Oh my God, just look at him. Water ran down the center of his chest between solid muscles that looked as if they'd been carved from cedar. His soaked shorts sagged on his hips, displaying his ridged abdomen. When he folded his arms, she couldn't look away from the rock-hard muscles of his biceps. The other men had great build, but Master R looked like a god of war.

And, uh-oh, he looked as angry as one. When his dark eyes focused on her, her laughter died, and her mouth went dry.

“Kimberly. I am displeased.”

Holly says

I am not really sure how to begin this review, I have thought on it for two days and I'm just gonna give it the old college try.

I have to first start by saying this is the most emotionally draining book that I have read from CS. I have loved every one of the Shadowlands books and this one was no exception, but getting into Kimberly's head as she went through the terror of being kidnapped and forced into sexual slavery and then reliving those fears with her throughout the book actually had me putting it down and needing a break from time to time. The hardest part for me is knowing that yes, this is fiction, but what is happening in this story is happening in our world today. There are some awful people out there, that's for sure.

That said, Kimberly's strength and bravery combined with the love, patience and training that she went through with Raoul (and the other Shadowlands Doms and subs) made this better for me. As I said, this book was deeply emotional and some parts were hard to read, but overall it was just as fantastic as previous Shadowlands books, there was lots of yummy BDSM, hot sex, and fun too! It is always fun for me to get to visit with the other Doms and their subs when reading a new book in this series!

This is one of my favorite kinds of stories, the kind that grabs you by the heart and doesn't let go, even once you have finished it!

Anna (Wicked Book Blog) says

Fine beginning, poor ending. All this slavery related things made me nauseous and to think she ends almost where she started...not what I was expecting and hoping for

Mareli says

And so this was the last. Huge sigh here.

Let me begin with what I didn't like. I didn't like some "scenes", with flogger and whips (not my tastes), I didn't like the violence in some parts - even if I can understand it. They were some sick people.

I liked everything else. I like him, a very dom, but sweet and caring and responsible. And I liked very much her, a woman who endured some of the worst and capable to be brave, so brave!

I think I got the best of BDSM fiction with Cherise Sinclair! Yesterday I happened to find a list of those kind of books on GR and the first 10 were hers... She's a great writer and I love her stories. There are feelings, there are human people, with their strengths and their weakness.

Maube her books are not for everyone, but they work for me, so THANKS CHERISE SINCLAIR!

Raine says

I really liked this book. It was a darker than previous book because of the slave ring and abuse. I did love how Raul treated Kim, but I think I was a little put off with Kim's wishy washy-ness about being a slave. I know I should have more understanding because of all that she has gone through, but I'm just not sure I really care for her as much. And as much as I really like Raul, I felt that he was one of the more weaker doms I've read in this series. He seemed a bit too sensitive given the fact that he wants a full time submissive/slave. I gave this 4 stars instead of 3 because the storyline was really good even if it isn't one I usually like, but if I was basing it on characters this would've been a 3.

Mirjana **DTR - Down to Read says**

4.25 Stars

"I like when you hold me."

"I like when I hold you too."

Hands down my favorite in the series so far!

It was dark, intense and emotional, as I expected it to be since the plot revolves around human trafficking and sex slaves, but it was also full of hope and healing. The story dealt with issues of self-worth, societal

gender roles, self-doubt, trust, acceptance, forgiveness and love.

Master Raoul was the absolute perfect blend of patient and caring and possessive and protective. He was so mindful of Kim's issues, needs and fears. He knew when to console, when to push and when to just sit and allow the scars to heal.

I've struggled with the heroines in this series. For the most part I've found them too insecure, a bit annoying and at times whiny. But Kimberly was a woman I could get on board with, a woman of great strength.

She was deeply affected by her ordeal and all her fears stemming from her nightmare were constantly bubbling right below the surface. She was understandably vulnerable and conflicted about her craving and need for the BDSM lifestyle...especially after everything she's been through. But she was also an unbelievably brave and determined woman. She wouldn't allow her fears to control her. She needed to heal and she needed to understand herself.

In the end, she understood that it didn't make her weak to need Master Marcus, rather he empowered her with the strength she needed to truly be herself. He made her feel safe and protected, strong and whole, loved and cared for.

"Gatita, don't you realize I need you in my arms as much as you need to be here."

However, I do have one grievance, and it's what kept me from rating this 5 stars. The writing at times got too flowery for my tastes. Way too many metaphors. Emotions, feelings, thoughts, memories were like the swell of sea, the grains of sand, a rocking boat, a gust of wind, the kiss of rain, a ray of sunshine, an ocean breeze and on and on and on. This was the weather channel of purple prose and after a while it tended to get in the way and pull me out of the moment, rather than enhance it.

Angela James says

I've seen several reviews say both "not my favorite" and "this is a brave book" and I have to agree that it is a very brave book. I also think it showcases the author's craft growth. Some of my previous reviews noted that some of her books started to take on a sameness feel. But this book really departs from some of her previous books in the series and takes on an incredibly difficult subject matter, and does it with surprising delicacy.

I think that even those who like BDSM stories won't necessarily care for this story, because it's got very dark subject matter. No spoilers in saying that this is a heroine who's just experienced weeks of rape, degradation and torture as the book opens. I was glad to see the author didn't underplay this, try to glorify it or make it "all better" in the way that romances sometimes can.

I'm glad to see the author (and her editor) really working to grow this series and the author's storytelling and craft abilities.

Amber says

Warning: This was a DNF

Oh my goodness, what happened to my Shadowlands? I was SO excited about this book and it lived up to its promise for a short, short while. And then, suddenly, the impossible plot points are just stacking up and KILLING me.

So, this girl has been kidnapped and used as a sex slave and is finally free. But to help the FBI, she needs to be able to perform in a scene with this Dom she's terrified of. The FBI's solution: Make her live as a 24/7 slave to a dom she's terrified of. What? No, not necessary. He can train her in sessions at his home. But of course, that is not as great for the plot.

And then, this is the part that has me fuming right now. So the girl who's been raped and beaten - the Dom's (ie. the hero) bright idea is to do those same activities over and over again until she stops freaking out about them. And she is like hmm, OKAY, so long as we skip the dog cage..... REALLY!? That is NOT a valid therapy technique, especially as performed by some random dude, and not, say, a LICENSED THERAPIST.

Oh, she actually WAS seeing a therapist, but I guess that's gone out the window in favor of BDSM. Not BDSM because she needs pain, by the way, like The Reluctant Dom, which I know some people had a problem with, but I was okay with. In this case, he's going to use BDSM to actually fix her. Yes, he's going to tell her what to do, thereby FORCING her to get over it. Oh, and also, he insists she tells him every sick detail of what the guys did to her. This helps the plot, since we weren't sure exactly what happened to her, and now we know, but the fact is, it wasn't necessary, and forcing her to tell him so soon after it happened may be more harmful to her than helpful. Furthermore, the fact that he was so insistent actually made him creepy to me, like he was getting off on the perverted details of her abuse.

Similar situations happened in previous books, Breaking Free and Make Me, Sir, but a very big difference was the amount of time that had elapsed between their trauma and the time the Dom stepped in. It was kind of like, look, you've had years to sort this out on your own, but it hasn't worked, so can I try to help you? This was NOT like that, because only a week or so has passed since her enslavement. Her body is literally still bruised and broken, she's nightmare screaming nightly, she is barely a functioning human being at all, and he's basically bullying her. I don't care that it may be for her own good (which I take leave to doubt anyways) because now I don't even like them.

At this point, I'm not finished, but I don't think I can stomach reading anymore of her "training," wherein she presumably gets fixed through the magic of doing what our hero says. *bangs head*

I also hated that her friend, Gabi, kept saying things like, "Of COURSE you're still crying, girl. It takes awhile to heal, I should know," referring to the time she got kidnapped. Except Gabi got kidnapped and rescued in a matter of hours, and was not beaten or raped or anything. Her friend, the heroine of this book, got beaten repeatedly to the point of almost-death, raped by a bunch of guys, for SEVEN WEEKS. Kinda different, ya know, so you can stop acting like a smart-ass already.

Bianca says

[The idea that this poor girl who has been through so much violence (kidnapped, raped, tortured, stabbed etc..) has to be publicly whipped, in the end, in order to prove she is worthy of her Master?? What?Gross! And doing this whole whipping sex scene at a baby party.. Is that really appropriate? (hide spoiler)]

Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews says

TO COMMAND AND COLLAR is a sexy, emotionally packed masterpiece.

Master Raoul has commanded Club Shadowlands' fans attention since we first met him. I mean who can resist a dark haired, dark eyed DOM with all that smoldering Latino sensuality? The emotions he feels and displays while rescuing Kimberly are intense. The patience he shows while dealing with her PTSD and the ability he has to push her without damaging her psyche is amazing. The way he puts her needs and satisfaction above his is heartwarming and the way he loves her is pantymelting. Master R epitomizes my image of a DOM. Kimberly went through weeks of torture and rape at the hands of monsters, yet she never lost her spirit, almost but never completely let it go. Even with her fear of DOMs she still has the balls to sass Master R and it always made me smile.

To read my full review visit
<http://www.guiltypleasuresbookreviews...>

Jo ★The Book Sloth★ says

Since this book was actually my favorite in the series so far I will try to make this a decent review.

The book begins were the previous one left off with Raoul invited at a "mini" slave auction were there are only three "damaged" women, at a lower price and three buyers. Raoul goes to this auction with instructions from the FBI not to buy any woman so he will be invited to the larger auction later. But when Raoul spots Kim, Gabi's friend among the women he can't resist buying her. After that Kim is forced to play the slave role so the slavers won't suspect Raoul's cooperation with the feds so that they will be able to catch them.

Knowing this it's easy to understand that the book comes heavy with emotion. Kim is scarred inside and out from her time in captivity and Raoul is a Dom who sparks her worst fears as a PTSD case and her most secret desires as a sub.

Kim is a very strong woman(okay fictional woman). Although the idea of even pretending to be a slave wakes her worst nightmares she does the brave and honourable thing and does what it takes to free the other women. I don't think there was a moment that I didn't like Kim. Most times there is an instant when you say "wish this wasn't here" about fictional characters but Kim didn't have one. She was brave and loving even after all the things she went through. She has a lot of fear which only emphasises her courage even more. Just the fact that she was brave enough to admit that even after all she went through she still craved someone to dominate her was enough to earn my respect.

Raoul was very different than I thought he'd be from reading the previous books. I thought he'd be more easy-going and less demanding than the other masters but that wasn't the case. Raoul liked the rules to be

clear. He knew what he wanted and went for it even when he had to sacrifice things to get it. He has the usual traits we've seen in the Dom's in the series, protectiveness, determination, affection for those who needed it and a mean punch for those who deserved it. He also came with some emotional baggage from previous failed relationships.

The book was great. My favourite in the series so far. It has emotional depth and you could actually see the bond forming between Raoul and Kim. It was obvious how Raoul soothed Kim's hurt by caring for her and treating her as a person who didn't need just cuddling but a motivation to try harder too. He pushed her to expand her limits in both her day-to-day life and her love-life.

I have to admit that if I had gone through what Kim went I would probably be a quivering mess afterwards so I can't say how much of this I find believable enough. The fact that not only she moved on but she actually decided to (view spoiler) makes it kind of hard for me to believe it is realistic but since this is fiction I will just say that the story was touching and tear-worthy.

I also liked how the whole D/s, M/s relationship was explained. I didn't realise during the previous books how many things were involved in this kind of relationship. It seemed kind of one-sided and brutal to me but seeing it through Kim's eyes changed my view. I still wouldn't want someone else to make the decisions for me but I can see the appeal to it.

The slavers were disturbing but that was expected. How can someone who sells people like they are animals not be?

Generally the book was beautiful with almost none "oh shit" moment and lots of hot sex scenes to keep even the worst perv satisfied and lots of emotional stuff to keep the romantics' attention as well.

I can't wait for the rest of the series.

UniquelyMoi ~ BlithelyBookish says

Cherise Sinclair is the author who introduced me to the exciting world of BDSM through her *Masters of the Shadowlands* series. Every story has been sweet, funny, and very sexy, and the Masters and their subs are always wonderful, loving, and sometimes emotionally and physically scarred people who I can't help but care about. I can't explain it, but there's just something in the way Ms. Sinclair tells a story, the way she pulls us into the minds and hearts of these people that makes everything between them feel so... *right*. And while this was definitely not the story I expected, nor can I say I even begin to understand the Master/slave relationship, I still loved it. It pushed some boundaries for me, made me uncomfortable at times, but most importantly – it had me thinking about other peoples' needs, not judging theirs based on my own, and not only trying to understand, but *wanting* to understand where those needs come from. And in the end, it doesn't matter where they come from, only that they are people – just like you and me, who want to love and to be loved in return.

Okay, so about the story. *To Command and Collar*, the sixth book in the *Masters of the Shadowlands* series, was much more intense than the previous books and the most emotionally draining of them all. Following right on the heels of *Make Me, Sir*, the Shadowlands Masters are once again working with the FBI to take down the sex slave operation known as The Harvest Association. In this story we're given a more candid

look into what it's like for those women who have been kidnapped; their lives in captivity, their physical, sexual and mental abuse, as well as the business side of the sex slave trade, itself. There are many distressing aspects about this 'business', but one of the things that upset me the most is the emotional detachment of the 'handlers.' I just can't understand how one human being can see another as nothing more than merchandise, and treat them like animals. And then what these poor women have to suffer after they're freed – *if* they are ever freed... damn. Heartbreaking. Gut-wrenching. I was often in tears for them because even though I know this is just a story, I also know it's not. The names are changed, the places are different... but the people are real. Somewhere, they're real. They had lives and families and dreams... and now, right this very minute, they may have stopped hoping to ever have those things again. And because of that, I broke down sobbing when I read our heroine Kim's thought, "*Dreams die before people do.*"

Master Sam's role in this story and his nature as a sadist was touched on, and while I was mildly curious about him before this book, I'm now fascinated by him. I've read a couple of S&M stories in the past that left me feeling dirty and cold because to me their sexual intimacies were nothing more than acts of pain. But just in this tiny glimpse we were given into Sam I know that, for him, it's about so much more than that. If I could request one thing from Ms. Sinclair it would be to give Sam a story, because I know that she could present it to us in a way that would take us deep into his heart and soul, and show us exactly what it takes to make him love, and why. OH! Updated to add that I just read this comment from Cherise, regarding Master Sam, on Twitter - "*That damned sadist. Yes, I think he's going to have to get a story Sigh.*" YAY! I can't begin to tell you how happy that makes me!

As I've said, this is a very emotional story, but some of my favorite scenes were those that included the other Masters. Whenever they and their subbies all get together for a party, good food, lots of laughs and great sex are guaranteed. And I can't tell you how many times I giggled when one of the Masters would spot a subby walking awkwardly and knew that she'd been 'punished' for some infraction. Hell, I'll be honest here - the Master's creativity when it comes to discipline would have me *looking* for ways to be punished, but my favorite thing about them is how they aren't afraid to show their little subs, the women they love, how much they are adored.

The bottom line – Once again Cherise Sinclair has delivered a book that not only touched my heart, it captivated me. Was the story perfect? No, but it's damned close! For me, when it's all said in done, it's how I feel when I finish that final page, that final thought, that matters most. *To Command and Collar* made me feel things I hadn't felt before, and want things I didn't know I ever could. Master Raoul and Kimberly, Master Sam, Linda... and especially Holly... will stay with me in my thoughts for a very long time.

Note: This book contains anal and oral sex, and intense scenes of sexuality, including whipping, spanking and bondage, as well as descriptions of varying non-consensual acts forced on the captive women.

4.5/5 stars
