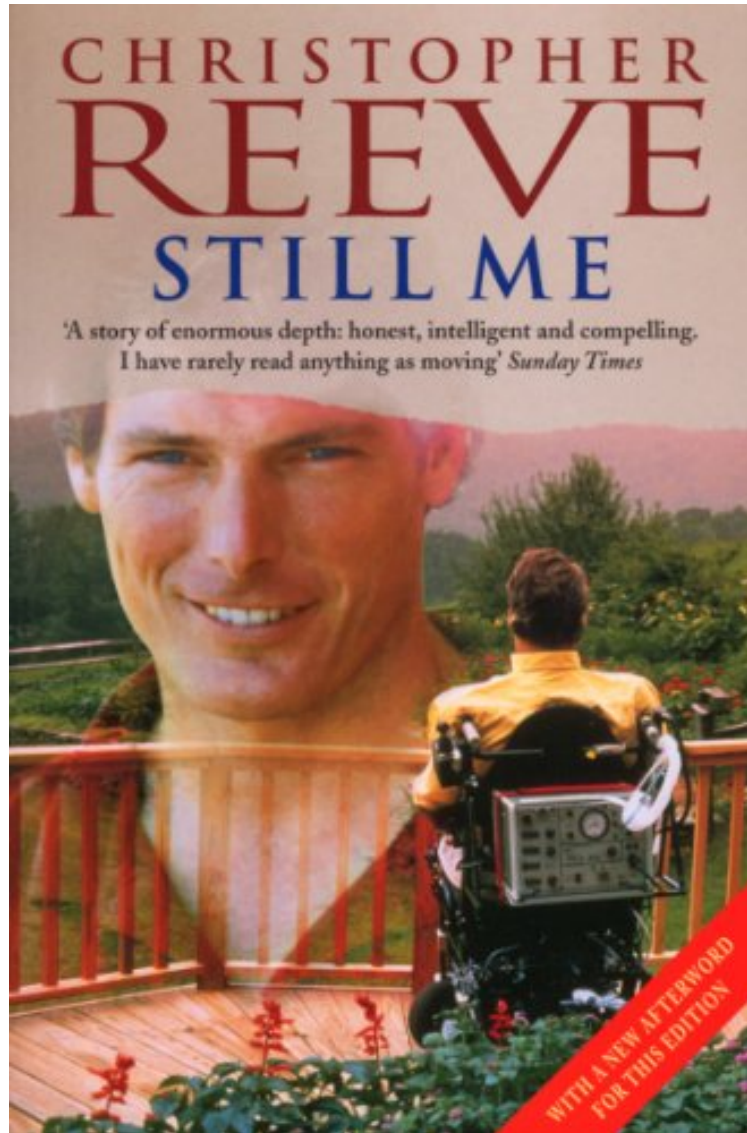


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Count Your Blessings!Von LibrarianMII saw Reeve on numerous tv interviews promoting this book and was afraid I'd be saturated before I read it. But it was still worth reading as a scary, inspirational, and fascinating look at how life can change in the blink of an eye.One thing that impressed me in his interviews is how honest Reeve and his wife Dana

are. This honesty comes through in the book, and Chris pulls no punches describing the horror, depression, and physical trials he must endure. He doesn't spout platitudes, but frankly expresses his feelings of getting a raw deal that he just must live with. I was a fan of Reeve's back in his soap opera days and always followed his career with interest. I'll be applauding the loudest the day he gets up and walks. And if he never does he's still a talented, courageous man who has so much to offer the world. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Still Superman, if you ask me. Von E W Puddle This book is a testament to the courage and strength it takes to be dealt an almost fatal blow and come away stronger than he was before. Reeve takes us through his life and shows us just how this accident effected his personality and his heart, as well as the obvious physical aspects. I walked away feeling I knew Christopher better than I ever could have otherwise. His words draw the reader in to his thoughts, and the reader walks away feeling privileged to know Superman on a deeper level. Christopher Reeve IS Superman. He writes about his embarrassment of "Superman" being struck down so easily, but his experience is just a way of showing us how even Superman has a tough time in this world. We each must fight our own demons. Each of us has it in us to overcome our challenges, and on the way, we have to clear the path for those who will follow us. I found the most touching part to be when Reeve realizes that people love him and each person is worth loving in return just because of that. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Christopher Reeve's battle over paralysis Von dev1ils@aol.com Still Me By: Christopher Reeve Still Me is an autobiography written by Christopher Reeve. It is the story of his life, before and after his accident that left him a quadriplegic. He talks about the way he has learned to cope with his handicap. As you probably know, Christopher Reeve was left paralyzed after a horseback riding accident about 3 years ago. After and during his long and intense recovery, he has fought for victims of paralysis, and also remained in Hollywood. This book was very inspiring, and taught me that as hard as I may have it, there will always be people with it much harder than me. Basically I found this book to be very well written as well as being very inspiring. During the book, he goes into great detail about his accident and the support that he received from his family and friends. It was one long-time friend...Robin William's, who snapped him out of a deep depression soon after the accident, and gave him a new look on life. He explains how his wife never left his side, or stopped giving him all of the love and support that he needed in the months immediately following the incident. The book then heads into right around when the book was written. He talks about his return to showbiz as he directed a film for HBO. The film which was about a handicapped child, was directed by Christopher Reeves, was released about a year and a half ago. However, through all of the accomplishments he has still maintained one thing He always stresses that he is the same person. With or without the wheelchair, and ventilator, what is inside him has stayed the same. What makes up a person, is on the inside. They may be confined to a chair, unable to do anything for themselves, but as long as they stay kind, and caring...a person should be able to see past the chair. I give this book two toes up, because of all of the inspiring books that I have ever read, this was one of the most inspiring. This book showed me that no matter how bad I think that I may have it...there will always be others with it much worse than me. This book also showed me that there was more to Christopher Reeves than just the Superman movies. He had also worked some very prestigious plays, and attended very prestigious schools. This book showed me that "the man of steel" really is a Superman.

Kurzbeschreibung Through his leading role in the three Superman films, Christopher Reeve became so closely identified with the superhero that he wasn't just seen as the actor who played Superman, he was Superman. Which is why the tragic riding accident which left him paralysed from the neck down shocked the world. Superman was not superhuman. It is also why he is now the world's most recognisable person in a wheelchair. In true superhero style, Christopher Reeve refuses to resign himself to the life of a quadriplegic, and is actively campaigning to raise the profile of spinal-cord injury victims and research. Although he was initially told that he would only ever be able to move his head, he can now shrug his shoulders and breathe alone for increasing periods of time, and is determined that he will walk again. It is this extraordinary courage and determination that has made Christopher Reeve the internationally admired figure that he is, and it is this bravery which makes this autobiography about his paralysis and his journey to recovery such a powerful and moving story..de Christopher Reeve begins his heroic reading of Still Me with a special introduction, including this message: "Now, this audiobook allows me to communicate with you in a very personal way, second only to being in the same room." Personal indeed. Hearing Reeve tell his account of the near-fatal riding accident on Memorial Day 1995 is a life-altering experience. He seems to struggle through some of the more personal passages, and there's always the slight hissing sound of the respirator, reminding you how difficult an undertaking this must have been. Shortly after the accident, he recalls waking up and thinking, "This can't be my life, there's been a mistake." But by the audiobook's end, not only has he reclaimed his own life, but he's given hope to hundreds of thousands of others around the world with spinal cord injuries. His is a heartfelt tale of triumph over tragedy. Admittedly he wouldn't be where he is today without the undying love and encouragement of his wife, Dana; when he speaks of her, it's clear that he's as smitten today as he was when they first met. Reeve also credits their young son Will and a huge supporting cast of family and friends. While still in the early days of his long hospital stay, 3-year-

old Will asked his mom if his dad would ever be able to walk or to play soccer with him. Dana answered, "We don't know sweetheart, but maybe not." Will thought about this for a moment, and concluded cheerfully, "Well he can still smile." Hearing the actor voice these words causes a powerful tug at your heartstrings. Reeve talks of having led an incredibly active life before the accident, and laments his inability to do so now, without making you feel sorry for him. Not only was he an accomplished rider, he also was a pilot, a sailor, a skier, and excelled in many other sports. And his participation in, and love for, the theater and the silver screen kept him busy nearly full-time. Still Me begins with the accident, then weaves back and forth between past and present, creating a thorough biography of Reeve's life. Reeve tells of his childhood, his early theater roles and theatrical training, and his first real experience as a public figure following a prominent role in a popular soap opera--a recollection that elicits a chuckle or two from our reader. Though we will likely never see Reeve don tights and a bright red cape again as he did in his unforgettable role of Superman, some believe that he has become the superhero he once merely portrayed. (running time 3 hours, 2 cassettes) --Colleen Preston Pressestimmen "Moving and inspirational, this is the story of a real-life superman." Sunday Times 7/6/98 "Gripping and often profoundly moving listening." Independent 6/6/98 'Reeve is always rewarding, if sometimes hard listening' Guardian 13/6/98 'A searingly honest picture of what it's like to be quadriplegic. Christopher Reeve balances the richness of his family life against the grinding monotony of maintaining his body until technology might let him walk again. Perhaps his finest performance.' New Scientist 13/6/98