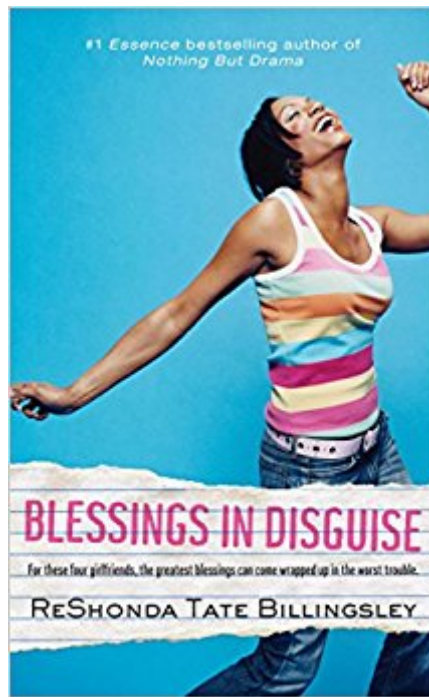


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Blessings In Disguise (Good Girlz)



Synopsis

The second book in an exciting and inspiring new series from national bestselling author ReShonda Tate Billingsley. They share a precious gift. . . . Joining Rachel Jackson's church youth group has been a lifesaver for Camille, Alexis, Jasmine, and Angel. The fabulous four share everything from juicy gossip to mentoring school kids. But their loyalty is put to the test when two of the girls get caught up in problems of their own -- and may drag their girlfriends down with them. Will they forget who their friends are? Wealthy Alexis seems to have the perfect life -- but no one can see her fear as her parents head for divorce. Meanwhile, Jasmine is tired of being the glue that holds her mother and siblings together, and she escapes by moving in with her father. Both girls are tempted to do something drastic to get the attention they crave, and both need to hear Rachel's hard-won advice on why stealing will only get them more trouble. But when it comes to winning back Camille and Angel's trust, Alexis and Jasmine will have to find the answers in their own hearts.

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Customer Reviews

Blessings in Disguise by ReShonda Tate Billingsley picks up six months after her first book in the teen series, Nothing But Drama, ends. In the first book, we were introduced to Camille, Alexis, Angel and Jasmine, who had become a part of a Christian teen group, dubbed The Good Girlz. The first book was told in alternating, character chapters. In Blessings in Disguise, Ms. Billingsley allows the story to be told in one voice, the voice of Jasmine. Jasmine is a plus-sized, fifteen-year old with

many insecurities and a chip on her shoulder. She is plagued by feelings of being unattractive, poor and overworked by her family. She is also consumed with finding the father she has never known. Jasmine's fate changes when she discovers that Donovan a star athlete, new to her school, has genuine feeling for her. Her relationship with Donovan is a bright spot in her life, but there are always other issues. Jasmine discovers that her friends from the Good Girlz are involved in illegal activities, and though she does not agree, she finds herself going along for the ride. She also has a lead on where her father might be located. She is convinced once she finds him her life will be perfect. What Jasmine discovers is that everything that looks good is not necessarily good for you. Finding herself in trouble will prove to her and her friends that trouble can often be blessings in disguise. Blessings in Disguise is a fast-paced, enjoyable cautionary tale. This book is recommended for any young person and anyone who remembers being young. Angelia MenchanAPOOO BookClub

I like how she incorporated everything in a teenagers like f e. Boys, money, parents, school dances. Also I feel like I can relate to Jasmine because being tall and boyish is not that easy especially in middle and high school.

In Nothing But Drama (Book 1) Camille, Angel, Alexis and Jasmine became friends after joining the Good Girlz Club, and, although the reader learned a bit about each character, the main focus was on Camille. In Book 2 of ReShonda Tate Billingsley's Christian teen series the author introduced another Good Girlz Club member, Trina, who had a habit that got her and other members into trouble, and she touched on Alexis' issues with her parents, however, the main focus was Jasmine's story: Jasmine's brothers got on her every nerve, she was responsible for most of the cleaning and cooking at home, and she always seemed to end up in situations that reminded her of the fact that she didn't have money. Jasmine hated her life, and she believed that if she could just find the father she'd never known a relationship with him would make everything much better. Jasmine's mother, Jetola, refused to even speak of this man and became highly upset when her daughter brought him up, so there was no way Jasmine was going to convince her to reveal her father's whereabouts. Still, a determined Jasmine found her father, but she also found out that all that glitters isn't gold. That was cool in the end, though, because a lesson learned brought Jasmine closer to her mother. With only 166 pages this book was a quick read. I really enjoyed it, and I'm looking forward to the next one.

Jasmine is one of my favorite characters. She is so real its like you can feel her. From when she was introduced in book one she was my favorite character. From fight to attitude I am always on her side. I wasn't a big fan of Alexis but she was great in this book. Trina was a great addition to the book. She brought more drama which made the book interesting. All I have to say is wow to this book.

I have been a fan of Reshonda Tate Billingsley for only a short while but I can tell you this: This book is a great Christian read - for the young & old!

Blessings in Disguise by Reshonda Tate Billingsley was an awesome book; I loved it. It's about Alexis and Jasmine, two of the four Bff's, who attend Rachel Jackson's church's youth group. Alexis is rich and seem to have the perfect life but can't escape the fear of her parents' marriage ending in a divorce. Then there's Jasmine, who's tired of being the foundation of the family that holds her siblings and mom together. Both girls do some crazy things but it's Rachel's advice about stealing that hits home. When it comes to winning back Camille and Angel's trust, Alexis and Jasmine will have to find the answers in their own hearts. Now see what happens to Alexis and Jasmine on a long road from picking right or wrong. What will they choose, you have to find out. I love the Good Girlz series; it's one of the best series that I have read. I love Ms. Billingsley's stories; I hope she writes forever.

I thought that this was an awesome book! Since Nothing but Drama was mostly about Camille and Angel, this book was mostly about Jasmine and Alexis. Even though the attention in the book was switched to Jasmine and Alexis, I still think that it was a great book and can't wait to get the next one!!!!

I loved everything about this story. Jasmine shows us that no matter your age you can still take things to God. This book is a perfect example of the old saying, "everything that glitters ain't gold." This is a must read for young adults and I will be passing this one to my daughter.

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