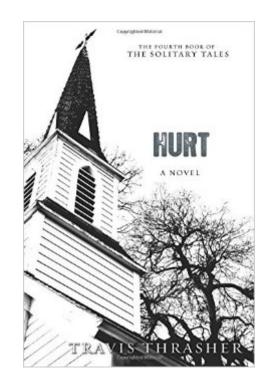
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# Hurt: A Novel (Solitary Tales Series)





### Synopsis

His Rebellion Will Soon Turn to Hope When Chris Buckley first encountered the mysteries of creepy Solitary, North Carolina, he had little idea how far he would fall into the townâ <sup>™</sup>s shadows. After losing the love of his life, Chris tried to do things his way. He hunted answers. Then he gave up trying to find them. But now Chris comes back to Solitary knowing thereâ <sup>™</sup>s a purpose for his being there. As he watches his place in a twisted and evil bloodline become clear, Chris waits for the last battleâ "and wonders who will be left when he finally makes his stand. The fourth and final book in the Solitary Tales shines light into deep darkness as Chrisâ <sup>™</sup>s journey to Solitary comes to a dramatic close.

#### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

The ending you wouldn't have seen coming. You think that you know what is going to happen but your not even close. The evil that was there in book 1 is literally trying to become Chris' best friend. The romance and suspense keep you tied in, and if your not already on the edge of that seat your mind, you might be close to falling off. If you've read the whole series up to now, no explanation is needed. You know that you want January 1 to come faster so you can find out what happens. The ending will blow you out of the water. It won't leave you feeling empty because you finished a book but leave you with hope.Hurt is THE ending you won't see coming. THE book you don't want to put down and THE book you want to see made into a movie just like the way it played in your

head.Travis Thrasher did an amazing job tying the whole series together and keeping you on the long highway that only seems to have one exit but MANY accidents and twists to get there.

Ok, I am secretly in love Chris Buckley. Well, his quirky character which I am going to really miss since Hurt is the last book in the four book series of the Solitary Tales. I can still picture Chris riding around Solitary on his motorcycle with no helmet and no license. I can imagine him lying in his room listening to music while checking his email on his laptop and taking the prettiest girl at school to the prom.Such a great character, Chris is the guy who tries to do the right thing but sometimes it blows up in his face. I really feel for him because he doesn't stir up trouble intentionally and he didn't ask to be the "chosen one". He just happens to have the genes that tie him to his evil great Grandfather.Hurt is about good vs. evil and the story unfolds around which path Chris will choose. Despite the violence in the beginning of the book, this finale to the series is a joy to read. I am happy to report that when the book concludes you do not have any lingering questions or cliff-hangers. In fact, the ending was so uplifting that it genuinely brought tears to my eyes.

Hurt is the continuing story of Chris Buckley, who came to the town of Solitary with his mother, only to discover that a group of creepy, evil men want him to take over their business from his grandfather that everyone thought was dead. With his mother now locked in rehab, crazies are coming out of the woodwork and Chris has no way to fight against them. Chris begins seeing things that happened in the past and putting all the pieces together. He now knows that May 28 will be the end, one way, or another.Thrasher writes in short choppy sentences that create the feeling of being in the mind of an adolescent as well as increase the intensity of the book. Absolutely, do not read this book alone. I would definitely recommend having all four books in the Solitary Tales series ready, so that you can move immediately to the next. The tension is such that you will not want to wait even a week for the next one. Thrasher never lays out the plot, so the reader continually guesses the outcome. Though targeting young adults, anyone that enjoys paranormal horror will enjoy this series.Received from NetGalley.

Travis Thrasher has nailed it with HURT. As the final book in The Solitary Tales, it is the perfect ending to an incredible journey. Thrasher effortlessly captures Chris's teenage angst and, with humor and wit, conveys his emotions in such a way that fully engages the reader. I was sucked right back into Solitary, North Carolina even though it had been a few months since I read TEMPTATION. While HURT finds Chris with the same problems, questions, and dilemmas he faced in the previous books, we finally (FINALLY!) get some answers. The farther I read, the more I wanted to see how it ended. The closer I got to the final pages, the more I did not want it to end!I may be far from the intended "young adult" audience, but I have really enjoyed this series. I love Chris's journey and I am holding onto the hope that we have not heard the last of Solitary, North Carolina.

My family and friends think I've become absolutely nuts over how much I've talked about this series so any words to describe how I'd been anticipating HURT would be an understatement. For me, HURT is a satisfying conclusion to the Solitary Tales. Explored in four releases, each book had a unique tone to their writing. SOLITARY gave us a feel of fear, anger dominated the pages of GRAVESTONE, wreckless rebellion in TEMPTATION. In HURT, we find Chris still lost, still confused, but radiating a new confidence based on hope which stands in sharp contrast to the Chris in TEMPTATION. Suspense and creepiness have been this series mainstay, and that exists in these pages, especially the page turning conclusion. Travis boldly showed us that noone is safe in this series, laughed about it even. There is simply no way to know what is going to happen, and speculating I've found is just not safe. Travis once again shines with his characters. While we aren't introduced to many new ones as in the past, he does explore some that we've already met. I've fallen in love with these characters and am going to miss Chris, Kelsey, Poe and all I've saved this part until last, the answers to the many questions, because I do think there will be a few that are disappointed here. There are some answers, and these were enough for me, but I think others will expect more. I do hope Travis finds opportunity to explore some of these in future B sides or spin offs. I can't say enough about my time in Solitary, and recommend it to everyone I can. If you haven't read it, get going. I just recommend that you have all the books handy before you start, because even two minutes to download the Kindle version in between books is too much time.

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