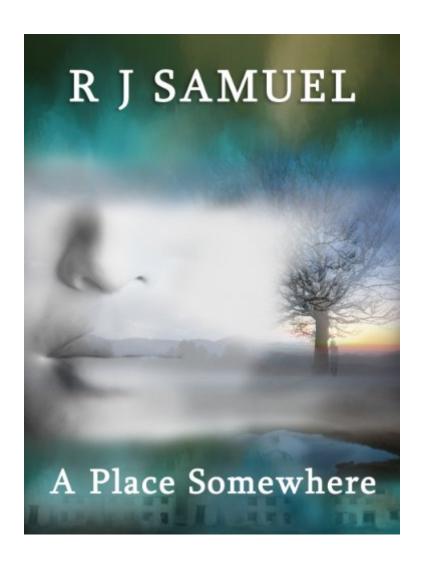
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Synopsis

How far would you go? Would you lie to protect the innocent?ALEX HART risked everything to be with her online girlfriend of two years and moved from Ireland to America. But the unthinkable happened and she is emotionally and financially ruined. Devastated, she turns her anger and betrayal into a mission to root out those who deceive the innocent online. When a mother pleads for Alex to protect her daughter from an online predator in Ireland, Alex must become what she hates. How far will she go before losing herself in her own web of deception?

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Customer Reviews

Alex Hart is a woman on a personal crusade. After completely uprooting her routine accountant's life to move across the ocean for what she thinks is true love, she finds out that the woman doesn't even exist. Deceived, defrauded and shamed, she is unable to return home to face her family and friends. But instead of useless moping or grieving, she has somehow managed to channel all her pain, anger and desire for vengeance into a semi-productive pursuit--sniffing out similar scams for her clients.But one client wants her to take it one step further. Not only does she want Alex to investigate her daughter's online lover, she also wants Alex to run interference and break them

off.But of course, things don't go according to plan, and Alex finds herself smack in the middle of an impossibly complicated situation. The plot sounds pretty simple and straightforward, but this is so much more than a lesfic romance. The author explores so many thought-provoking themes I've lost count: the incomprehensible mindlessness behind devastating deception; the vulnerability of even the most logical people, the loss of innocence, faith and trust from betrayal, the hopelessness and desperation of people struck down by personal tragedy and/or a failed economy, the healing power of truth, forgiveness and a community that comes together, and so many others--I haven't read a recent book that managed to do all that and still work a good page-turning mystery through it all. This is not a light read at all.

Alex Hart was an accountant living a quiet life in Ireland who lost everything when she moved over to America to join the woman she'd been in an online relationship with for two years. Devastated and enraged, Alex made it her mission to seek out and expose some of the lying, cheating women causing so much pain to other women by deception online. When Alex is asked by a concerned mother to look into her daughter Cynthia's online affair with a woman in Ireland, Breanna O'Grady, Alex has no idea that it will change her life. No idea that she will have to become what she most hates. No idea of the devastation that will follow. I love RJ Samuel's books. They are always extremely well written and edited. She has proven herself to be a master storyteller. None of her stories are the same or even similar. So, when picking up one of her books, I know I'm going to get a good, refreshingly different read each time. However, RJ has excelled herself with this book. Not only is the story entirely different from any other book I've ever read, but I couldn't figure out at all which direction the story was headed in. There were twists and turns throughout and I was surprised and totally amazed by the brilliant, unpredictable way this story unfolded and ended. The theme of this book is very true to life. RJ Samuel has captured the pain and emotions suffered by those deceived in what is, sadly, an all too real occurrence now. Although this book is a work of fiction, there is a lot of the storyline that will ring true for those people who have been on the receiving end of online deception. There is a light hearted side to this book too.

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