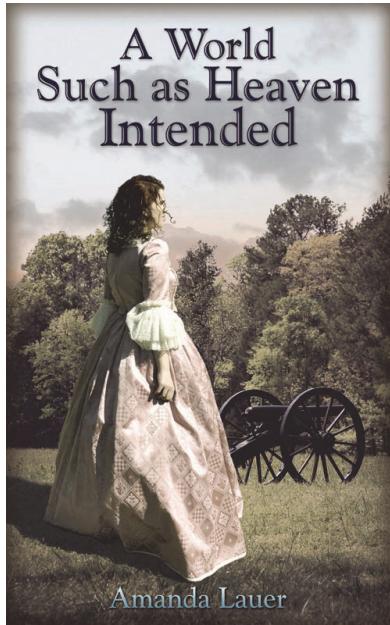


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Synopsis: In “A World Such as Heaven Intended,” Amara McKirnan and Nathan Simmons share a devotion to their Catholic faith but their loyalties lie on opposite sides of the Civil War. Fate brought Nathan into Amara’s life. Little does Amara know that he harbors a secret that will not only jeopardize his life but hers as well.

Reviewer comments:

“During the heat of the Civil War, Amara McKirnan must take on a new role as nurse to the wounded soldiers. Helping her uncle, who is a physician who has set up a temporary hospital in his grand Southern home, she encounters many soldiers, but one in particular sticks in her mind. Corporal Nathan Simmons from Texas both aggravates and intrigues her from the start. They go their separate ways, but are destined to meet again – this time with Corporal Simmons wearing a Northern uniform! A World Such as Heaven Intended is engaging and well-written and will keep you turning pages until its satisfying conclusion.” **Patrice Fagnant-MacArthur** – author of The Catholic Baby Name Book

“Lauer brings us a well-developed setting, a neatly paced plot, and characters that live and breathe whom I couldn’t help but love. In fact, instead of an Atlanta debutante, our heroine Amara is, well, kind of a nerd... which I LOVE! The reality of the shared faith of these two characters is completely organic, never obvious. Their Catholicism is not flagrant but just a normal part of who they are and what makes them make the choices they must. The settings are detailed without being burdensome or boring. The action builds to a great pace. The ending is sweet and satisfying!” **Erin McCole Cupp** – author of Don’t Forget About Me

“The South of 1864 springs to life in A World Such as Heaven Intended. Rich in details of language, setting and social mores, Lauer takes readers on the journey of her protagonist, Amara McKirnan, a strong woman ahead of her time who wrestles with her blended family and the horrors of the Civil War to find the peace and happiness she is convinced awaits her.” **Marni Graff**, author of The Nora Tierney Mysteries

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