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### The Day

The day was like any other day--until it became "The Day." At 4:05 p.m. the United States was attacked with an Electro-Magnetic Pulse (EMP) weapon. A 20 mega-ton nuclear warhead was detonated high in the atmosphere above Kansas, blanketing most of the contiguous United States and parts of Canada and Mexico with an electro-magnetic pulse that damaged nearly all microprocessors and electronic controls beyond repair. Nearly every system that depends on computers and electronics has ceased to work. The electrical grid goes down. The water system goes down. The sewer system goes down. The phone system goes down. The cellular system goes down. Cars stop. Tractors stop. Radio and TV stations go dark. The internet is no more. No more ambulance services. No more emergency services. No more government services. No more 911. In the twinkling of an eye America is sent back deep into the 19th century.

Jill Barnes, a single mom, finds herself stranded on the side of Interstate 485 near Birmingham, Alabama. Jack Chance, a bank vice-president, is stranded on Interstate 85 near Montgomery, Alabama. John Carter, a contractor, finds himself stranded near Leeds, Alabama. Each must travel home to Clarke County in rural southwest Alabama. Follow them as they each make their decisions and journey home while the fabric of American society is torn asunder and criminals run amok. The story is exciting and enlightening, compelling and fast moving, infuriating and redemptive, heart-rending and heart-warming. Keep some tissue close to hand, just in case . . . .

### Authors note:

This book is written from a 2nd person point of view for each chapter's main character. Take note of which character leads the chapter title. This will help make the flow of thoughts smooth. Writing in the 2nd person is unusual for novels. I choose the 2nd person in an attempt to place you, the reader, directly into the shoes of the characters. It may take some adjustment to get the hang of this format, but if you do, I don't think you will be disappointed.

This is not a book on religion or religious ideology, however, two of the main characters are Christian. They pray often and acknowledge God's influence upon the events taking place. If you find acknowledging God offensive, then I suggest you do not read this book. There are plenty of books in this genre that make no mention of God at all.

These are strong characters, who I think many can relate to. I hope you enjoy the book.

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