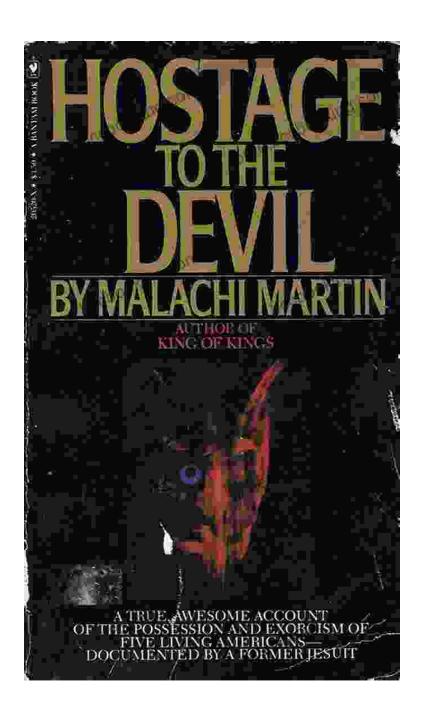
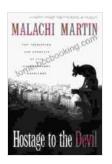
# Hostage to the Devil: A Gripping Tale of Possession, Exorcism, and the Power of Faith



Hostage to the Devil: The Possession and Exorcism of Five Contemporary Americans by Malachi Martin

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In Hostage to the Devil, Michelle Belanger takes readers on a chilling journey into the world of demonic possession and exorcism. This gripping true account follows the harrowing story of a young woman named Anneliese Michel, who became the victim of a horrific demonic infestation that baffled doctors and priests alike.

Anneliese's descent into madness began in 1973, when she was just 16 years old. She started experiencing strange and disturbing symptoms, including hallucinations, convulsions, and uncontrollable screaming. Her parents were at their wits' end, and they sought help from doctors and psychiatrists, but no one could explain what was happening to her.

As Anneliese's condition worsened, her parents turned to the Catholic Church for help. In 1975, two priests were assigned to perform an exorcism on Anneliese. The exorcism was a long and difficult process, and it took months before Anneliese was finally freed from the demons that had possessed her.

Hostage to the Devil is a chilling and unforgettable account of one of the most famous cases of demonic possession in history. Belanger's meticulous research and vivid writing bring Anneliese's story to life, and she

offers a fascinating glimpse into the world of exorcism and the power of faith.

#### What is demonic possession?

Demonic possession is a condition in which a person is believed to be controlled by a demon or other evil spirit. Symptoms of demonic possession can include:

\* Hallucinations \* Convulsions \* Uncontrollable screaming \* Vomiting \* Speaking in tongues \* Levitation \* Superhuman strength

#### How is demonic possession treated?

There are a number of different ways to treat demonic possession, including:

\* Exorcism: An exorcism is a ritual performed by a priest or other religious figure to expel a demon from a possessed person. \* Prayer: Prayer is a powerful tool that can be used to fight against demonic possession. \* Fasting: Fasting can help to weaken the power of a demon. \* Holy water: Holy water is believed to have the power to repel demons. \* Relics: Relics are objects that are believed to have been touched by a saint or other holy person. Relics can be used to protect against demonic possession.

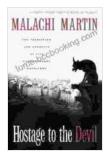
#### The power of faith

The power of faith is a powerful force that can be used to fight against demonic possession. Faith can give a person the strength to resist the temptation of evil and to overcome the power of darkness.

In Hostage to the Devil, Anneliese Michel's faith played a key role in her recovery. Anneliese was a devout Catholic, and she believed that God would protect her from the demons that were tormenting her. Anneliese's faith gave her the strength to endure the痛苦of the exorcism and to emerge from the experience as a stronger person.

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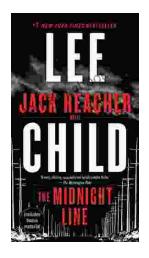
If you are interested in learning more about demonic possession and exorcism, I highly recommend reading Hostage to the Devil. It is a powerful and moving story that will stay with you long after you finish reading it.



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