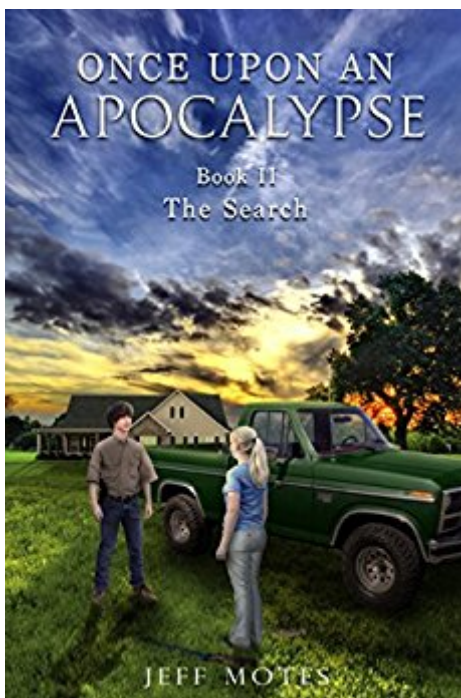


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# Once Upon An Apocalypse: Book 2 - The Search



## Synopsis

John and Jill have finally made it home only to find their children are not in Repose. Where are they and why aren't they here? Questions are answered and new ones abound as we go back to The Day. Follow along as the Repose Alliance Group comes together to brace themselves and their community for the trials ahead. Some will thrive, some will die as desperate people begin to do desperate things. Carefree days are gone as a boy must become a man and a girl must become a woman. Are they ready? Trying times are ahead . . .

**Reviews**

“Wow!!! My heart is racing. What a great story. I want more!” L. Lanier

“Following a devastating EMP event, young Will Carter, better prepared than most, is determined to find his special friend Lizzy and relocate her to the safety of his community. But can she survive long enough to be found? Obstacles and dangers abound for both, and a new villain emerges in this second book of Jeff Motes' Once Upon An Apocalypse series.”-----Cathy Marler, The Radio Librarian

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Book 2 is not a sequel but occurs in parallel with Book 1 although the characters are different. Like Book 1 it is a gripping tale that I could not put down and it was over all too soon. The main characters are good people but there are some bad guys too. The language is not unnecessarily rough. It is full of real-world prepper information that is embedded into the story. My only negative point is that the book does not end but simply stops. No cliffhanger -- just the end of a chapter. We now have to wait for Book 3 and I can hardly wait. The writing and editing is fabulous and Jeff Motes lives in the real world as do his characters. Great reading!

Book was good, story is great. In the beginning however there were far too many he said I said they said statements. Pic a conversation between two there is no need to constantly use the said phrases. I do appreciate that the prime characters are Christians. Most don't realize many peppers are believers. Can't wait for book three!

Book number two of a two book post apocalyptic series. I read the POD (print on demand) trade paperback version which has excellent paper and fonts. Also note that this is an self-published series. I highly suspect that the series will continue and I look forward to reading book number three. The first book was unusual in the fact that it was written in the second person. The author apparently received so many complaints that he rewrote the first book in the first person. I have not read that version nor do I plan to do so at this time. The second book is written in first person with the person identified at the top of each chapter. This book is written in parallel with the first book. The first book was about two people getting home after the EMP. This book is written about the home situation deteriorating rapidly after the EMP. The author, an degreed Electrical Engineer and a licensed Professional Engineer, takes the point that an EMP over the USA will be so destructive that all computers in phones, control systems, and cars will be destroyed. He even thinks that LED light bulbs will have their inner circuit boards destroyed. I think that this thinking is a little extreme as car computers live in a horribly noisy and hazardous environment. Should the USA get EMP'd, I think that car computers will get locked up but a simple reboot (restarting) will clear the fault. But, I could be totally wrong !BTW, there are frequent mentions of Christianity in the book via prayers and such. At least once per chapter and sometimes several times per chapter. I have an acquaintance who is an atheist who was offended by the amount of prayers in the book. I am a Christian so I appreciate the amount but others might not. The author also has an military coup in the USA and nobody notices due to the severity of having all of our little electrical helpers gone. That is quite the idea. A

very sobering idea.

I had been waiting for Book 2 along with others and so was excited when it appeared on the scene. I bought it and started reading it right away. I could hardly put it down. The author pulls you right into the story and keeps you there with the fast pace of the plot. There are some places where there are details about equipment preparation that slow it down a little but I realized that it is important for those that have not had any education on the hows and whys of prepping. I feel that it was kept to a minimum so you don't lose your place in the story. The characters are well developed and natural in their behaviors and thoughts. The happenings are natural and believable and fit the scenario. I was very happy with it overall and can't wait for Book 3. I would recommend it to my friends.

Jeff I had to reread the first book again to refresh my memory and then went right through book two! I enjoy all your characters and do appreciate your protagonists sterling moral compass. Also the villains and the weak characters that make you want to shoot! The twists and turns keep the reader glued to the tale and leave us wanting more! I will be on the look out for book three in this highly addictive yet instructional series!

I absolutely fell in love with these characters and the story telling of this author. Went immediately after finishing the first book to get this one. Couldn't wait to read book 2 in this series...and now, I can hardly wait for the next book in the series. I love the characters, the plot, and I really enjoyed the changing viewpoint the author took in writing for these characters. There are starting to be a lot of books out there about EMPs and solar flares and what could happen in real life. This one had a lot of practical tips that you can use in real life...gave me something to think about. I think you will like this book if you will give it a chance.

Once Upon an Apocalypse: Book 2 - The Search - I didn't think it would get better than Book 1 - but it's running a close race. Love all of the prepping and survival tips sprinkled throughout the book without being overpowering. Definitely things that we "ordinary folks" can do without investing a bazillion dollars into prepping. I like that Mr. Motes uses situational awareness in many instances to help us remember just how quickly things can change. He is an awesome author who manages to deliver a series of books without foul language and graphic sexual content. High five to Mr. Motes! Great read in this genre.

I think this book could really be a great book but the narrators with their fake accents and the sometimes feeling like I'm being lectured or in a class. I'm from the deep south and so very familiar with the southern accent, I have a very deep one. Other than that the book was a good book. The story line and plot were great. I caught myself wanting to smack a few of the characters and rooting lizzy on when she beat the snot outta that creep. I am hoping there will be another book soon. I gave the book 4 stars because of the fake accents but loved the story.

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