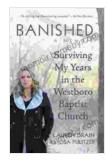
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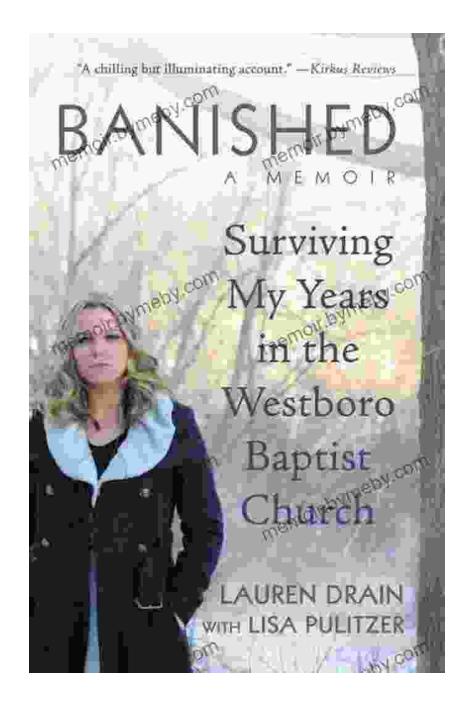
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An Excerpt from the Book

I was born into the Westboro Baptist Church, a notorious hate group known for its extreme anti-gay and anti-Semitic rhetoric. My parents were devout followers, and I was raised to believe that everyone outside of our church was wicked and deserving of God's wrath.

From a young age, I was taught to hate. I learned to picket funerals with signs that read "God Hates Fags" and "Thank God for Dead Soldiers." I was also taught to shun anyone who didn't share our beliefs, including our own family members.

As I got older, I began to question some of the things I had been taught. I started to see that the people we were picketing were not the evil monsters we had been led to believe they were. They were just ordinary people who were trying to live their lives.

I also started to realize that the church's teachings were not based on love and compassion. They were based on fear and hatred. I didn't want to be a part of that anymore.

In 2013, I finally left the Westboro Baptist Church. It was one of the hardest decisions I've ever made, but it was the best decision for me. Since then, I've been working to rebuild my life and to help others who have been affected by hate groups.

A Story of Hope and Redemption

My story is a story of hope and redemption. It's a story about how one person can overcome hate and find a new life. I hope that my story will inspire others who are struggling with hate and intolerance.

I believe that we can all learn to live together in peace and harmony. We just need to be willing to listen to each other and to open our hearts to love.

Praise for Surviving My Years In The Westboro Baptist Church

"A powerful and moving account of one woman's escape from a hate group. This book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the dangers of extremism." - **The New York Times**

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