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## Editorial Review

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Plain, reserved, Los Angeles ball-bearing heiress Allie Miller abandons propriety to flirt with Lt. Walter Novak of the Army Air Force during the idyllic week following her best friend's small-town wedding. When Walt is posted overseas, they correspond, drawn together by a shared faith and their mutual, if unspoken, attraction. Walt, however, has a propensity to lie, and Allie is torn between her own call to actively serve God and her filial responsibility to obey her parents' wishes in the matter of her marriage to her father's ambitious but undemonstrative second-in-charge, who is neither a Christian nor (rumor has it) heterosexual. While their pride puts Sundin's protagonists at cross-purposes, Walt serves in the European aerial theater. Sundin's debut Christian historical romance featuring the youngest of the Novak brothers introduces an emotionally gripping, detail-rich but fast-paced trilogy set against the backdrop of WWII at home and abroad. Romance readers and military history buffs will find much of interest here. --Lynne Welch

From the Inside Flap

EXCERPT FROM CATALOG

"That pilot has a little crush on you."

"Nonsense." Her hand went in circles, but her mind fixed on an impossible truth. A crush would explain his attentiveness and also his awkwardness during the ceremony--he'd be embarrassed to have a crush on a woman who was spoken for.

"I think it's sweet he has a crush on you."

"Don't be silly. No one's ever had a crush on me."

"No one? What about Baxter?"

"Baxter?" Allie divided the last bit of cake. "That's different. We've been together so long." Yet four and a half years with Baxter Hicks had never generated a fraction of the emotions she'd experienced in one week with Walter Novak.

Walter Novak, who crossed the room, his gaze and smile locked on Allie. Walter Novak, who took her hand, led her away from Louise and the cake and Allie's own good reason, and drew her into his strong arms.

Walter Novak, who looked at her as if she were lovely and special.

All her life Allie had longed for the look in his hazel eyes, but she never guessed how splendid it was to truly feel lovely and special. His attraction sank deep in her soul, exhilarating and dangerous and enriching.

From the Back Cover

### **Will a chance meeting in a time of war change her life forever?**

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Book 1 in the Wings of Glory series, *A Distant Melody* is an exciting and tender story of love, courage, and sacrifice during World War II.

"Sarah Sundin is an extraordinarily gifted storyteller who puts the reader in the cockpit of B-17 bombers as easily as she crafts an achingly emotional World War II romance. This is not only the best World War II love story I've ever read, but it may be the best book I've ever read."--Cheryl Bolen, Holt Medallion Winner, Best Historical

Sarah Sundin is an on-call hospital pharmacist and holds a BS in chemistry from UCLA and a doctorate in pharmacy from UC San Francisco. Her great-uncle flew with the US Eighth Air Force in England during WWII. Sarah lives in California with her husband and three children. This is her debut novel.

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