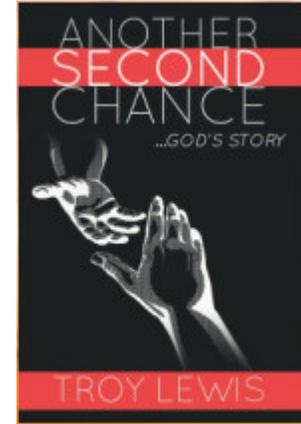


A Review of

***Another Second Chance: God's Story (2011)***

Author: Troy Lewis



Imagine yourself in your early 20's, it's 1992 and, recently married, you discover you have a kidney disease that will be dormant for about 20 years before becoming a threat to your life? Well that's the beginning of Troy Lewis' story. His is an inspiring life built on a foundation of faith in God's plan for his life that becomes a roller coaster ride. That ride leads to questioning what God's plan really is when the obvious path becomes a detour rather than the one Troy envisioned.

The author invites his reader to share his story in light of their own life challenges, offering them strength in seeing how his own is supported by God leading to two amazing "saves" as suggested by this title, "**Another Second Chance.**" Yes, its Troy's story, but in its telling we learn of a "miracle" (don't want to give away that part to lessen your reading pleasure) that adds a beautiful surprise element to not just Troy's story, but truly "God's story" and therein lies the message of this engaging and easy reading book.

Troy, playing the role of Jesus in their local church's annual Passion play for nine years, finds a strong connection between that and the lifesaving altruistic kidney donation from a stranger that adds the extra dimension to what is almost a common transplant event these days, raising the reading of his book beyond "just another story." Troy takes his readers on a very open and revealing inner view of life lived in kidney failure as he endures stage 5 kidney failure at the young age of 42. His clear explanation of complex technical topics such as dialysis, fistula, costs, etc. provides an education useful to both patients and families facing kidney transplant. In everyday events that most would call "coincidences" Troy puts the pieces together to paint the fuller picture of a plan offered by a loving God. Too often these are overlooked as we live through the challenges of life and especially life threatening diseases. But then, sometimes He permits us to "see" His plan, allowing that visibility to strengthen our faith just when sometimes we are beginning to lose some of that belief. Bible quotes throughout support the author's message of Hope, and part of that hope and God's plan are what led Troy Lewis to reach out to others in writing this beautiful book.

My highest recommendation for this book is that it is one of only a very few that once picked up, I could not put down, finishing it in one day. Yes, an easy fast moving read, but one that carries deep and special inspiring meaning along with its fascinating story, as Troy subtitles it, "God's story."

Note: **Another Second Chance** is available from  
[www.another2ndchance.org](http://www.another2ndchance.org) (← click here to link to this book)

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