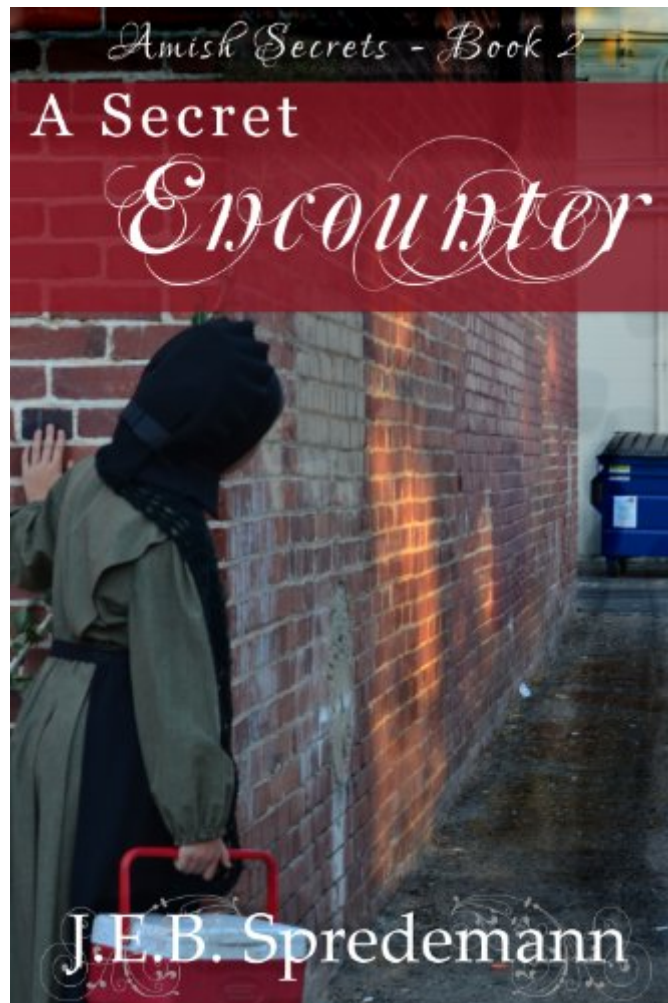


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# A Secret Encounter (Amish Secrets - Book 2)



## Synopsis

Shunned in his late teens, Joseph Bender has lived a difficult life the past few years. He's convinced he's finished with the Amish and God, until he meets kindhearted Anna Smucker. Life on the streets is a stark contrast to the comforts of an Amish community. Will Joe be able to overcome the trials set before him to find a new life of love? Can a secret encounter change his life forever? Christian Fiction, Approx. 225 pages Books in this series: An Unforgivable Secret A Secret Encounter A Secret of the Heart An Undeniable Secret (c) Excerpt Reprinted by Permission. All Rights Reserved. PROLOGUE Joseph Bender hung his head, contemplating the implications of his actions. Am I really shunned? By the disappointed countenances of his family, he realized it to be true. What would he do now? Where would he go? His father's words played in his mind for the umpteenth time, "You are no longer my son. Leave at once. There is no room in this home for unrepentant sinners." Joseph heaved a sigh of defeat. He searched his mother's face for some trace of compassion, but she could only look away as she blinked at the tears that trailed her weathered appearance. So desperately he wanted to reach his arms around his mother and embrace her one last time, but he knew the time for affection had passed. It expired the moment Bishop Burkholder read his sentence. He threw an old duffel bag over his shoulder. It contained the few belongings he owned: two pairs of trousers,

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## Customer Reviews

I have been reading all the books I can find by this author. They are very touching and encouraging to me a sinner saved by grace. They have helped me to understand what grace really means. It has been so hard for me to accept that even though I fell in sin His love for me me never gave up on me. These books have left me in tears of gratitude for a loving Saviour and Heavenly Father.

"A Secret Encounter" by J.E.B. Spredemann is book two in the Amish Secrets series. It was a great story and I loved it but I liked "An Unforgivable Secret" better! "A Secret Encounter" is about two homeless men who are helped by an Amish woman named Annie....SPOILER (Joe and Harvey are two homeless men that Annie has taken to bring food to because of a chance encounter while out with her boyfriend Aaron. From that time on Joe and Annie have a pull toward each other. Aaron is being pressured to get married from his father and he wants Annie because of her looks. Joe and Harvey are invited to stay in the barn of Annie's grandmother's farm because Harvey becomes sick and Joe tries to help them save the farm but is he really the good guy or is he a thief and a liar as Aaron says. Joe is an Amish man but he was shunned in his teens! The reason will be explained in later chapters but the reason will have you not agreeing with the Bishop's decision. These books pull at the reader's heartstrings and you will want to cheer for the heroes who do the right thing. I had to keep reading to see which version of Joe was the real one, the one he portrayed or the one Aaron tried to make people believe he was! Joe did have a past but sometimes the past isn't always a true account of things!)...END OF SPOILER! I believe any reader that likes a clean love story, yes this book is of the Amish genre but I find it to be more of a love story, will like this story. Make sure to read the part in the back of the book to find out how this story came to be and how you can help homeless people. I was given a pdf copy by the author for my honest review and it is receiving five stars! I am looking forward to reading Book 3 "A Secret of the Heart" .

This is an amazing book to read. There are a lot of surprises but I enjoyed every page I read. It was not at all what I expected lots of surprises sad and good. It was hard to quit reading this book every page I would think this is the last page for tonight but found myself reading more.

Since I just finished reading "A Secret Encounter" this is the best time to hit me up for a review. I gave 4 stars, but realistically I think it should be 3 and a half. While the story line was a good one am I like the Amish genre, I felt the narrative was a bit simplistic. The title suggests something with more intrigue and depth, the female main character was only doing a good deed by feeding two homeless men and hiding the fact from her Mammi, or grandmother. No deep dark secret there. Another irritation was that when Joe the homeless man was accused of being a thief, she refused continually to allow him to explain. I think this could have been a really good book if the author had taken more space to enlarge upon events and develop her characters. It sort of seemed like she was skimming over the top. Nevertheless, I can't say I would not recommend this book, though I will say more effort put into it would have improved a great deal.

A Secret Encounter By: J.E.B. Spredemann I love J.E.B. books they are wonderful. I have read I think about all of them and they never disappoint. I really like they all have a Godly message in them. shows God's grace , mercy and forgiveness. Joseph and Anna meet again, but Joseph has been shunned can they get back together after all these years? I think this book is more for adult read. Mainly because of the topic of what goes on in the story. Great read though.

I really enjoyed the first book in the series, and this one is another good one from this author. It is a story that addresses the plight of the homeless in a very touching and compassionate way and is a wonderful story of God's love and forgiveness. It was another story about the Amish community that pulled me in from the first pages and kept me reading until I finished it. I definitely recommend it and I am looking forward to reading the next book in the series.

This is book #2 in the Amish Secret Series by J.E.B. Spredemann. Excellent book, the author did a fantastic job in this storyline reminding us how God teaches us to forgive others as he has forgiven us. I personally Don't like giving away the storyline, this book is one of a kind, you will enjoy it so much. This is a book right from the first page draws you in and makes you now want to put it down until you have finished it.

• A Secret Encounter, • the second book in the series, Amish Secrets, by J.E.B. Spredemann is a must read! Anna Smucker passes Joseph (Joe) Bender, a homeless man, on the street one day. He's piqued her curiosity and she feels that God is leading her to take lunches to Joe and his friend every day in the alley. Joe and Anna become friends quickly. What happened in Joe's life?

Will Anna and his relationship continue to blossom? Aaron, who wants to marry Anna, will do anything he can to make sure Joe is out of Anna's life, even if that means uncovering Joe's past. I would highly recommend reading this book. The author does a great job bringing the characters to life. You feel like you are right there with them, cheering them on! You won't want to miss this one!

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