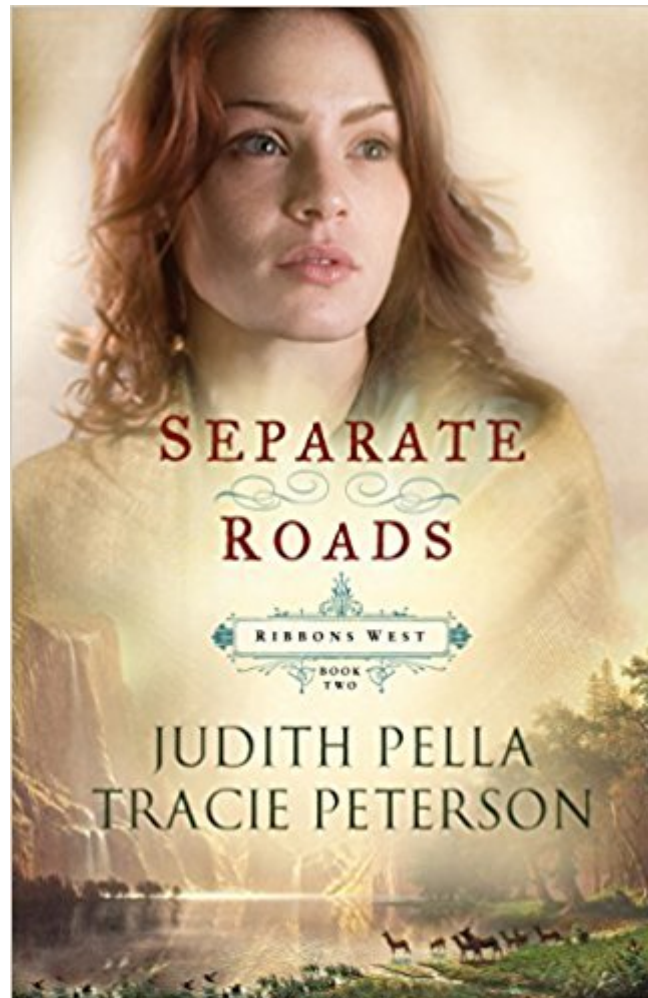




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# Separate Roads (Ribbons West)



## Synopsis

Book Two in repackaged RIBBONS WEST Series While the Civil War is raging, Brenton Baldwin has promised to provide a safe escort to California for Caitlan O'Connor. But now that his heart is totally hers, how can he leave her once they finally arrive? Meanwhile, Kiernan and Victoria O'Connor struggle as his work on the Central Pacific Railroad keeps them separated for long periods of time. Then a devastating accident with explosives suddenly changes everything. What will this mean for all of them?

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## Customer Reviews

In this offshoot of their "Ribbons of Steel" series, Pella and Peterson continue the story of Carolina and James Baldwin's faithful family. Jordana and Brenton Baldwin Atwo siblings traveling with Caitlan O'Connor, a young woman Brenton loves Ainterrupt their journey in Omaha to earn enough money to reach California. There, Jordana uncovers the deadly scheme of a corrupt banker's son, and the three flee. As they settle in California, the banker's son lurks in the background, awaiting his opportunity to strike. As the Baldwins' lives become increasingly dangerous, they place their safety in the hands of the Lord, where their faith has been all along. For series collections. Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Brenton Baldwin has stayed true to his promise to provide a safe escort to California for Caitlan

O'Connor, who is in search of her brother Kiernan. But now that Brenton's heart is totally hers, he wonders how he can leave her once they arrive. Meanwhile, Kiernan and Victoria O'Connor struggle as Kiernan's work on the Central Pacific Railroad keeps them separated for long periods of time. Then a devastating accident suddenly changes everything...Where will life take them as their dreams collide with reality?

I would very much recommend this series and authors. I have started the 3rd book. I thoroughly enjoyed reading each book and have had difficulty in putting it down at times. The characters are very real, full of faith, love and encouragement. And of course I have loved learning more about the era that the transcontinental railroad was being built and how it affected the people living at that time.

I liked this book even more than book #1. I suppose that is due in part to the first book being largely background, along with the first parts of the grand adventure. I won't summarize the story, as it is described well already. All the characters are well thought out, but in book #2 I was pleased to witness them grow and mature.; particularly in Jordana's case, as her sense of adventure and self-proclaimed maturity (based on her age, 18) had been setting her up for hard learned lessons and unnecessary risks. In book 2, I became less annoyed with her haughty attitude, and she earned some respect. Kiernan, who previously irked me to no end, is forced to face reality...we can't kid ourselves anymore once we reach rock bottom, can we? Overall, if you like book one, you will like book #2 more. Where some characters seemed wishy-washy before, this installment includes forced learning from the school-of-hard-knocks. Since God can best see His reflection in us after the repeated heat of the designer's fire, so it is with these beloved characters. Enjoy.

You will want to read Judith Pella & Tracie Peterson's Ribbons of Steel Series first as it is of the parents and then Jordana and Victoria as children in Book 3, although Book 1 of Ribbons of Steel Series was a bit too filled with historical references for me at the time I read it ... I can appreciate it more looking back at it... and I positively loved the series! Please read my review under "Westward the Dream" entitled "An Excellent Series"! As I stated previously I love Tracie Peterson books and this series did NOT disappoint me. Where this is not a new series it is a fantastic series ... a wonderful mix of history and romance ... I would recommend it to anyone who loves Christian reading, history and/or romance it is a delightful mix of all three ... I am fortunate as I absolutely love Christian reading and romance and I have to admit I truly enjoyed reading the all about the railroad

history, although it truly did not interest me when I picked up this series! I think the only disappointment in this series is when I completed the final book!

I Loved the biblical references, the sweet storyline and the reminders of God's presence in our life. The characters and the way they are developed is exquisite and very entertaining.

Second book in the series. I enjoy books about the settlement of the west, and this one was not a disappointment. By and large, a book full of optimism and faith. Great combination!

A believable plot enhanced by believable characters and of course excellent writing. And I am also enjoying learning about the start of the railroad across the nation. I am so glad I bought all three in this series!

Loved this book

You won't want to put this book down. The Civil War. A Brother, Sister & newly arrived Irish gal. They leave the east coast for California. A lot of action & complications, & love, but through their faith they kept going.

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