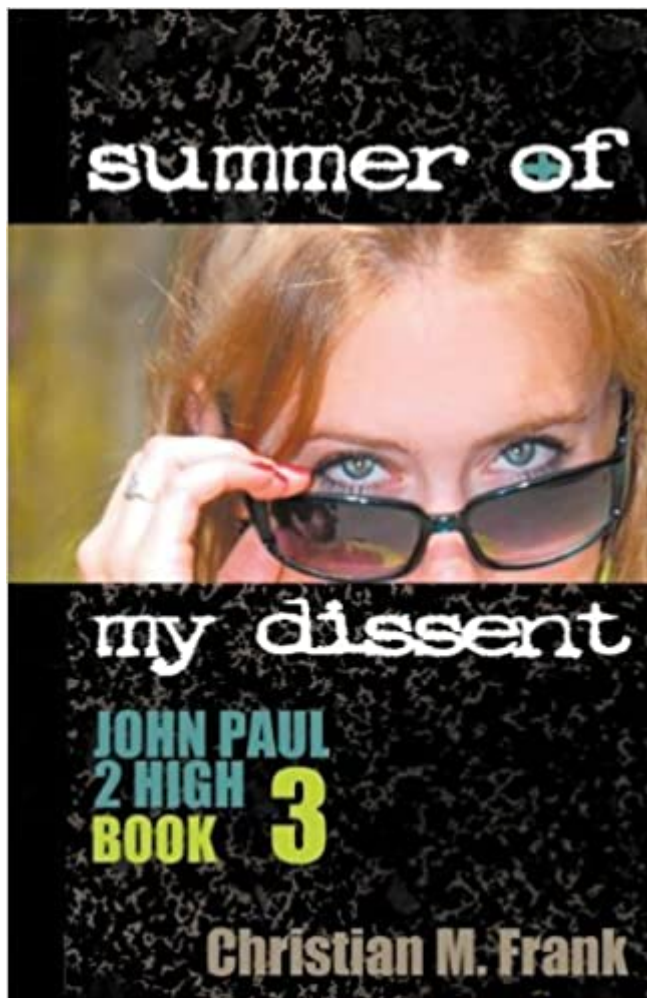


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# Summer Of My Dissent



## Synopsis

Grieving for her murdered friend, Allie feels lonely and distant from her classmates and the new kids at her school. But when she finds healing at a local evangelical church, she begins to question her Catholic faith.

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## Customer Reviews

I don't feel anything. Nothing. Allie walked until she found herself next to the girl's bathroom. She sank down and sat on the filthy floor, hugging herself. Don't feel anything. Don't. Nothing--"Why?" she whimpered. "Why, Seal? Why did you set me up?" Grow up, the cold voice inside her answered. You don't need her. You don't need any of them. You're better than them. Stronger. Unique. Alone. Like an Ice Queen. Like Ginger. "Yeah," she muttered. Ginger Josslyn, the coldest Ice Queen, sneering, sarcastic...Ginger, who probably never darkened the doors of a church in her life, who was cruel and cold and strong...Ginger wouldn't stand by and let herself get humiliated or insulted. Ginger wouldn't be the good little girl, like Nikki. Ginger would get back at them. Boom. She looked up, frowning. She had barely heard it--a deep, muffled sound. And other sounds, barely audible--water. Water swishing. There. It was coming from a battered metal door a few feet away. Hmm. Allie walked up to the door. Interesting.

Christian M. Frank is the pen name for a group of writers known as the John Paul 2 High Team. They developed the series and created the characters, and several of them take turns writing the

books. Book Three was written by John Doman. The sixth of ten children, it took John years to find out what he wanted to do with his life. After his graduation from Franciscan University of Steubenville in 2000, he embarked on several different career paths--sports writer, barista, singer-songwriter, pizza guy--before he found his true calling: fixing computers. John lives with his wife Katie near Philadelphia, PA. In his spare time, he posts videos on YouTube of himself playing crazy songs on the guitar for his young son, and writes books for Catholic teens. If you run into him, give him three dollars. Because he's written you another book.

This was amazing. In it, Brian, Liz, and J.P. launch a small group to investigate the person who continually sabotages their school. Allie starts to question her Catholic faith. Even more ethical issues were discussed, and the plot was interesting and intriguing. The cliffhanger was especially intense when Liz comes up with a logical suspect.

This book continues where the last book in the series left off. The students of John Paul II High face new struggles and challenges relating to their school and each other. One classmate wonders about leaving the Catholic faith. Catholic teens will enjoy the novel!

great book.

it was really interesting. a great Catholic book. very reverent and after the first chapter u could not put the book down!! enjoy!

bought for my granddaughter and she really likes this series of books.

Teen daughter was engrossed in this series.

In this book Summer of My Dissent Allie Weaver has an intense struggle with her faith, and has the choice of leaving the Catholic Church or staying. The influence that Allie gets from some of Nikki's old friends, who are protestant, gives her the feeling that they are the ones who are doing the right thing, and when she agrees to attend Cross Bridge, a Christian church, she can't help, but feel right about everything. The music and all the young people together make her feel happy and joyful, she thinks she really understands that Jesus cares for her now. Meanwhile at the Catholic school (all this takes place during the summer, by the way) Liz and Brian are trying to solve a puzzling mystery

over catastrophes that keep happening inside the building. Their attempts seem to draw them closer to the person doing these things, the mystery man. They still are left with this puzzle when the book ends, but it is still worth reading. If you cannot deal with being left hanging over the edge, you should probably wait until more books come out in this series. I probably should have to, but I couldn't help myself. My sister and I had been dying to read the next one after the second book in the series, but it took so long coming out (probably a few months actually) that my older sister was gone when it did. I know that she is happier where she is now though, then if she were just waiting for this book here at home though. This series, the first two books, I am sure gave her some help to pick the decision she made for her life. Religious life and I know she is very happy there. Anyways, let me stop my blabbing, and get back to this AMAZING story! From my point of view, it is the kind of book any Catholic teen would want to read, and the wonderful thing is, is that you probably would be able to relate to it. Boys and girls alike would, most likely, like it as much as I did. The author (or authors) did a fabulous job on this book, and all their previous ones, and I cannot wait until the next one comes. Hopefully I will not gobble it up, as fast as I did this one! I know that you will not regret buying this book, and if you do, write a comment and tell me why. I'd really like to know if there was something wrong with this book, because I can't find one thing. Well you know...maybe if I looked really hard, but if you are something other than a Catholic, you might find a lot of flaws. Hope this review was helpful!~Written by teenage sister, SarahP.S. It was like I was in a whole new world!

My sisters and I love the John Paul II High series! These books are awesome because they are wonderfully written fiction stories whose characters and plot are influenced by Catholic faith and values. In this way the books contains an engaging story and not strictly just catechism. My sisters and I are looking forward to reading Book IV and Book 5 when it comes out. I would recommend this series to all teens!

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