

When Sparrow Falls



If through a broken heart, God can bring His purposes to pass in the world, then thank Him for breaking your heart.

Oswald Chambers

Marie Wyatt runs away from her southern Ohio farm to find fame and fortune, but soon finds herself in wartime London as a courier, code-named Sparrow, for the mysterious Double Cross Committee. Her loyalties are questioned when she falls in love with a German double agent, Frost, and helps him escape from an American POW camp.

Repercussions from the war lead to the death of Marie's German husband and the disappearance of their only child. With her heart broken and believing God has forsaken her, Marie changes her name and descends into a life of illicit wantonness. Decades later she risks her life to meet her granddaughter. After revealing her true identity and the truth about her wartime love, a menace from Marie's past reappears.

Will Marie have to disappear again to protect her family? Or will she finally learn to trust in God's purposes and face her nemesis?

When Sparrow Falls is a completed manuscript of approximately 90,500 words.

Though primarily historical fiction, it is framed by contemporary events.

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