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# Where She Went

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In reading this book I found myself thinking how significant the number two is throughout the journey of life. The two young adults, Adam and Mia, discover the wonder in second chances. Mia accepts her second chance at life and continues to pursue the dream of becoming an accomplished musician. In book two of this couple's story, Adam is recalling the events after Mia wakes up from a serious car accident that claimed the lives of her family. The reader soon discovers Mia has grasped in one hand her cello and with her other hand has let go of Adam. In his heart break over losing Mia, he puts his life on hold for a time, falling into a careless, sad existence. When he eventually reconnects with Mia at a concert hall, Adam awakens to the possibility that by having hope, faith and love will follow...and when all else fails, these three remain.

As I review this book, I am reminded of a verse in the Bible that says two are better than one because they have a good reward for their labor. The young man labors to find a way to reunite with the girl he loves. Anytime we work hard to overcome relationship problems, we grow. When we do nothing, we remain stuck and problems become bigger. It takes determination to reach out and take ahold of a love that comes to stay, giving life purpose and meaning. This book becomes intense at times but doesn't linger there since there is good reason to soar to a better place.