



## Holding a Tender Heart

The Beiler Sisters

by Jerry S. Eicher



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## Book Review

### Reviewed by Joy Hannabass for Readers' Favorite

Debbie Watson grew up living close to an Amish community and was friends with one of the Amish families. Throughout her young life Debbie had always admired the Amish way of life and she spent a lot of time in the Beiler family home. It is after Debbie graduates from college that she decides to take the huge step of joining the Amish faith. Though her father was willing to let her explore what Debbie wanted in life, her mom thought it was a phase in her life and she would come to her senses and return to her English way of living. But after the Beiler girls' dad agreed to have Debbie move into their home, Debbie was more than convinced that Amish is what she wanted to be. And Amish boy Alvin Knepp was an added reason to be Amish.

Author Jerry Eicher is an awesome Amish storyteller. His books have that unique way about them that lets you know Mr. Eicher is the writer of these wonderful stories. Debbie was a sweet young lady and I admired her and her determined attitude to make the appropriate changes necessary to be called Amish. This is a unique twist that is different from most Amish stories because I have not read many stories where an Englisher turns Amish; the lifestyle is so different and being Amish means hard work. Debbie fit in well with the family, but it was not all a goody-goody life and there were difficult situations that upset the family a lot of the time. But their faith sees them through the problems. And I am looking forward to the next book in this series to continue Debbie's story and her new lifestyle. This is an awesome book that I highly recommend if you enjoy Amish fiction. You will be delighted you picked Holding a Tender Heart.