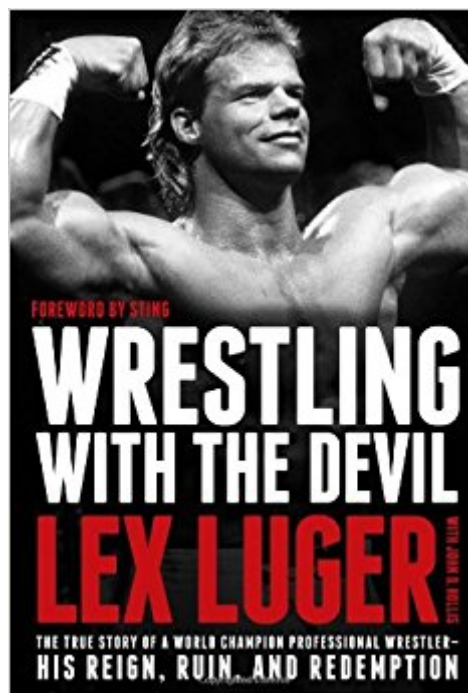




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Wrestling With The Devil: The True Story Of A World Champion Professional Wrestler--His Reign, Ruin, And Redemption



Synopsis

Lex Luger, wrestling megasensation and three-time world heavyweight champion, ruled the ring for years as “The Total Package.” Whether he was making a dramatic entrance from a helicopter, defeating champ Hulk Hogan, or sculpting a near-perfect physique, Lex was on top of his game. Yet backstage, he was wrestling with addictions to sex, drugs, and alcohol—things he clung to even when his mistress died suddenly of a drug overdose and Lex went to jail. There, Lex faced the truth: he was losing the fight for his life. And still awaiting him was his most brutal opponent yet, when the wrestling champ found himself helplessly paralyzed from the neck down. In *Wrestling with the Devil*, Lex Luger reveals never-before-told stories from his career, his struggle with personal demons, and how, through unexpected faith, grace, and redemption, he overcame all odds to fight the only battle that really matters.

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Customer Reviews

I decided to order this book on somewhat of a whim: I really just wanted an easy read that would kill a lot of time. I didn't kill so much time as I read it in its entirety in less than 12 hours, as the book is not that long, but it is still substantial and has some climactic moments which Luger describes in detail. I'm not quite sure if the book is ghost-written, but it nevertheless is written in a fairly simple, straightforward manner. Interspersed throughout the book are lines that signify some end to a specific thought. It is also supposed to weave together and create a theme for each chapter. The end-result is a book that is very light and easy to follow as far as the writing goes. Luger's life is

basically the archetypal fast living, and fast downward spiral that many celebrities seem to manifest--and later write about. Luger's saving grace is Jesus, a story that we've heard from many others who lived a so-called life of sin---drugs, booze, women, infidelity etc. Unfortunately, although Lex Luger talks about his working relationship with certain wrestlers who are no longer with us--such as the British Bulldog and Mr. Perfect, he does not talk about the recent trend of ex-wrestlers dying from drug overdoses or heart attacks that might be linked to steroid abuse. I felt this was a significant drawback to the book. But Luger is deeply personal in the book about how his character had evolved over the years, and he holds nothing back when he describes his pinnacle moments and some of his lowest moments. It's actually a somewhat inspirational read, and he deserves credit for that. I'd recommend this book to someone who is not only a wrestling fan but would like to hear a deeply personal story of a man's incredible life, and his resurgence.

This book was a little disappointing. I was hoping he would've talked more about his rise to wrestling fame, the egos and challenges he faced, the spectacle of being a professional wrestler. But instead, the stories were short and gave few details. The book was mostly about his life before and after wrestling. Not about the sport he's most famous for. Lex Luger had several opportunities to straighten his life out, but the book followed a near typical case of addiction. I'm glad he's doing better, but at times it sounded "preachy".

This is, without a doubt, one of the most uplifting and inspirational books I have ever read. I was interested in reading it because I had been a long time fan (having watched him wrestle, on TV, on many occasions). When he "disappeared", I, like the rest of my family, had wondered what had happened to him. After watching him give an interview and talk about his book, I knew it was one I really wanted to read . The book is extremely well written and very eye-opening and flows smoothly. I, literally, could not put it down ! I highly recommend it for wrestling, and non-wrestling fans alike !

It seems to be a clear cut case of a man that is overly in love with himself to a man that is brought back down to reality. The book describes the many stages of Lex Luger's life. It is a good read if you are interested in the personal feelings (which on the most part seem to be authentic) of one of wrestling super stars. It may also give you a good idea of what Lex Luger is doing today and where he might be, if you ever wondered.

I read a few bad reviews of this book below. First of all this book is about Lex's Luger the Wrestler his

fame his fortune, and his spiral down with Addiction, and women and money. Then it deals with His redemption through Christ, I do not agree with everything doctrinally about this book, But I did enjoy it, It's basically his testimony. I love to read testimonies. I grew up watching wrestling and Luger, if you not into reading a book about how a Man's life changed for the better serving Jesus Christ! you probly will not like this book!

Wrestling with the devil is not just the title of this inspiring book, but it is something we all do. This is the story of a man who most people would think had it all. He went through a lot and overcame a lot with the help of the Lord. This is a book of redemption and shows that material possessions aren't the answer we might think they are. Sin will take us farther than we want to go, only the Grace of God can bring us back. Thank you Lex for sharing your story with us. God Bless!

If you enjoy reading wrestling books or short stories of redemption, then I would highly recommend reading this book. It does completely gloss over some pretty critical moments in Lex's career (both wrestling and football), but it gives you enough to get the picture. I also wish there would have been more detail given to the backstage dynamics of his wrestling years, but in the end that is not the primary focus of this book. Lex's story is one of grace and redemption, so if you need some good perspective on life...go ahead and pick this one up.

I just found that Lex did way too much talking about his football career & about finding God rather than talking about wrestling..It just seemed to drag on & on for quite awhile in the book on both the football & preaching side of things..When it came to Liz dying Lex seemed to drop the subject very quickly & went on to the next story..very sad...Not what I was hoping for in this book.. only 3 stars for me.

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