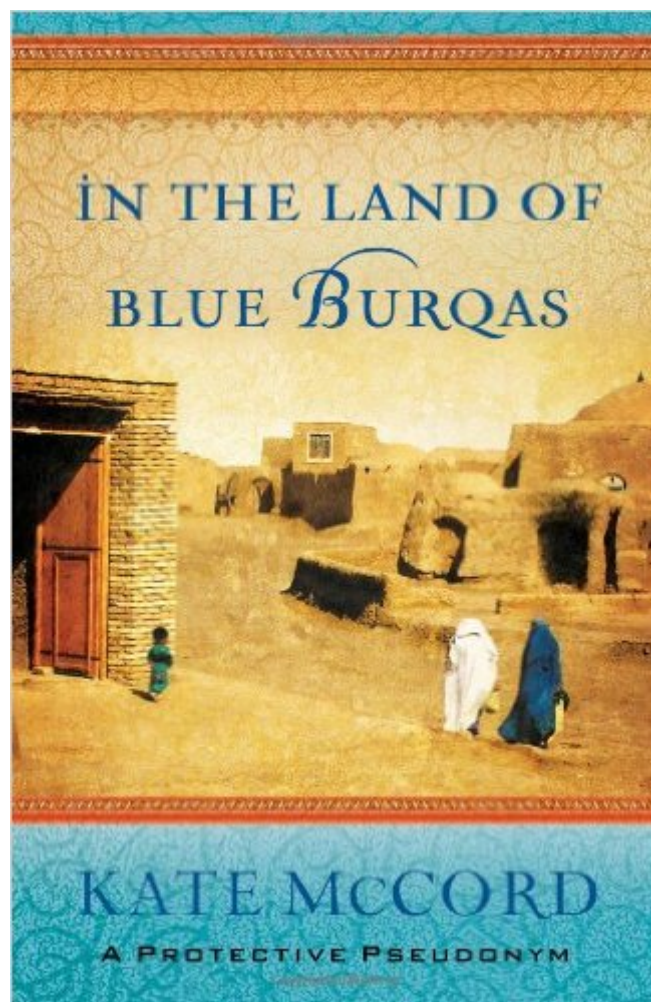


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# In The Land Of Blue Burqas



## Synopsis

I lived in Afghanistan for five years. I learned the rules I had to live by. Riveting and fast paced, *In the Land of Blue Burqas* depicts sharing the love and truth of Christ with women living in Afghanistan, which has been called "the world's most dangerous country in which to be born a woman." These stories are honest and true. The harsh reality of their lives is not sugar-coated, and that adds to the impact of this book. Through storytelling, the author shows how people who don't know Christ come to see Him, His truth, and His beauty. The stories provide insight into how a Jesus-follower brought Jesus' teachings of the Kingdom of God to Afghanistan. They reveal the splendor of Christ, the desire of human hearts, and that precious instance where the two meet. All of the names of those involved including Kate's plus the locations have been changed to protect the participants.

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*In the Land of Blue Burqas* by Kate McCord (not her real name) is a collection of vignettes tethered together by the real danger that Muslim women face in Afghanistan. Kate is a single female missionary who worked for an NGO (non-governmental organization) in Afghanistan for five years, with the goal of helping Afghani women. Afghanistan has been called "the most dangerous place to be born a woman." Kate McCord decided to live in Afghanistan, visiting women in their homes and getting to know those who usually remained hidden behind their blue burqas. She listened to their stories and lived among them. And in the midst of all of that, she found Kingdom responses to the beliefs Afghani Muslims hold to be true. My attention was immediately caught as the book opened

with a tense scene of Kate riding in a rickshaw with two Muslim mullahs, who attempt to convert her on the spot. As she diplomatically but firmly declines to convert, her physical safety becomes at risk. "You should become a Muslim. It would be better for you in this life and the next." Faith is foundational to the culture in Afghanistan, but I was surprised at how eager and willing the women were to talk. Faith "motivates and defines virtually every aspect of Afghan life, so we talk about it, often." But the greatest topic of conversation is different for men and women. Kate writes: "For men, the most interesting conversation is about government and war. For women, the first most interesting conversation is marriage and family. But the second great conversation is always about our faith and our practice." There is so much rich material in this book.

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