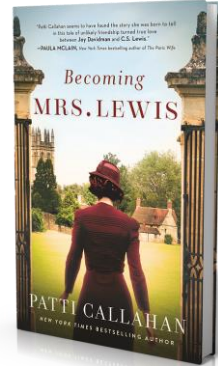


Becoming Mrs. Lewis ACCOLADES

New York Times Bestselling Author Patti Callahan



Recipient of the 2020
Harper Lee Award for
Alabama's Distinguished
Writer



The Christy Award
2019 Winner Book of the Year
Historical Romance (tie)

USA Today Bestseller List

The Globe and Mail Bestseller List

Publisher's Weekly Bestseller List

Amazon #1 Bestseller List
(Biographical historical fiction)

ECPA Bestseller

#1 Christian Fiction Bestseller

#31 Overall Top 50

#3 Fiction Bestseller List

Wall Street Journal

10 Leaders in Business, Politics and
Arts Share Their Favorite Books of 2019

Susan Packard Dec 2019

Alabama Library Association

2019 Fiction Book of the Year

Indigo

Canada: Heather's Book Pick July 2019

2019 Summer Reading Pick June 2019

Parade

10 New Books to Take on Your Next Adventure

10 Guilty Romance Reads Coming This Fall

Southern Living

Fall Books We Are Excited to Read

PopSugar

The Top 28 Books

25 Great Books You Should Cozy Up with in October

Good Housekeeping

20 New Books You Must Read This Fall

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

9 Southern Books We Recommend This Fall

Best Southern Books of 2018

Deep South

Best of 2018

Fall/Winter Reading List

AudioFile

Fall Preview-5 Romances Not to Miss

Modern Mrs. Darcy

24 Much Anticipated New Titles to Add
to Your Fall “To Be Read List.”

SheReads

The Most Anticipated Books of Fall 2018

HOPE

Must Reads for October

BookReporter

Bets on Pick

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BookHub

10 Fall Books Recommended

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Mental Floss

The Books You Should Pack

for 4 Types of Flights

Literary Hub

The Ultimate Fall 2018 Books Preview

The Christian Science MONITOR

10 Best Books of October

The Monitor's Picks

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(Harlequin) 20 Most Anticipated New

Releases This Month

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Favorite Reads of 2018

Lifeway Books

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Fan Awards 2018

Home by the Book

Book Club Pick with Gold Star

Fresh Fiction

Fresh Fiction Picks of Feb 2019

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June 2019 Book of the Month

Waterford, Ireland

GARDEN & GUN

October Reading List

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Women's Christian Fiction
for Beachgoers

The Connect

Book Club Pick

Sequim Gazette

Finding Love at the Library

Romance Story Feb 2019

Christian Library Journal

Review 5 Stars May 2019

It's a Southern Thing

10 Newish Southern Books
You Should Add to Your Bookshelf
Jan 2019

Corsicana Texas

Books for the Bibliophile
Romance Novels to Warm You
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5 of 5 Shields
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Amazon Charts

This week in books:
Page-turning historical fiction
‘History in Her History’
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Editorial Reviews


Becoming Mrs. Lewis



“Making full use of historical documentation, Callahan has created an incredible portrait of a complex woman.”—*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*



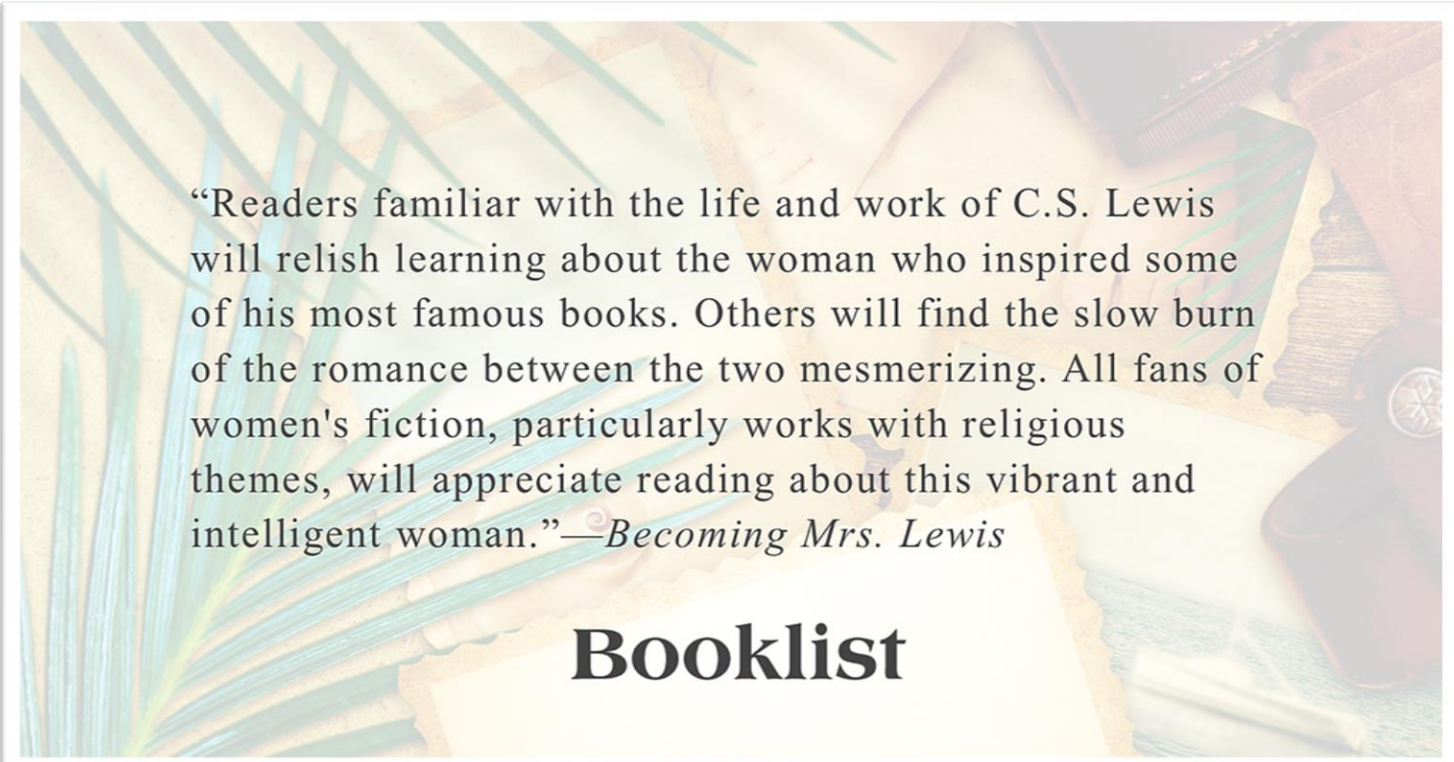
STARRED REVIEW



“Callahan crafts a masterpiece that details the friendship and ultimate romance between the real Davidman and Lewis . . . Fans of Karen White and Mary Alice Monroe will enjoy this book. Callahan's writing is riveting and her characters spring to life to create a magical and literary experience that won't be soon forgotten.”

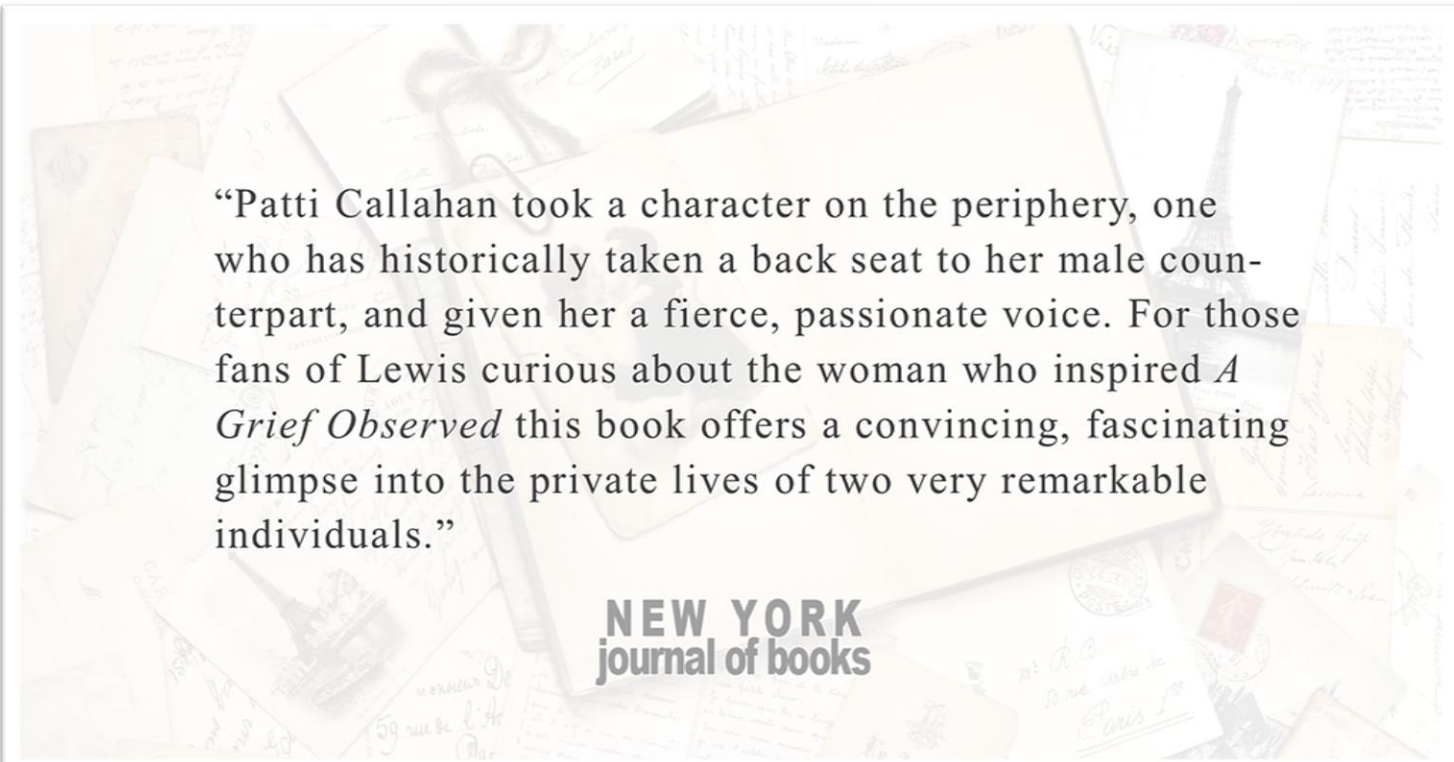


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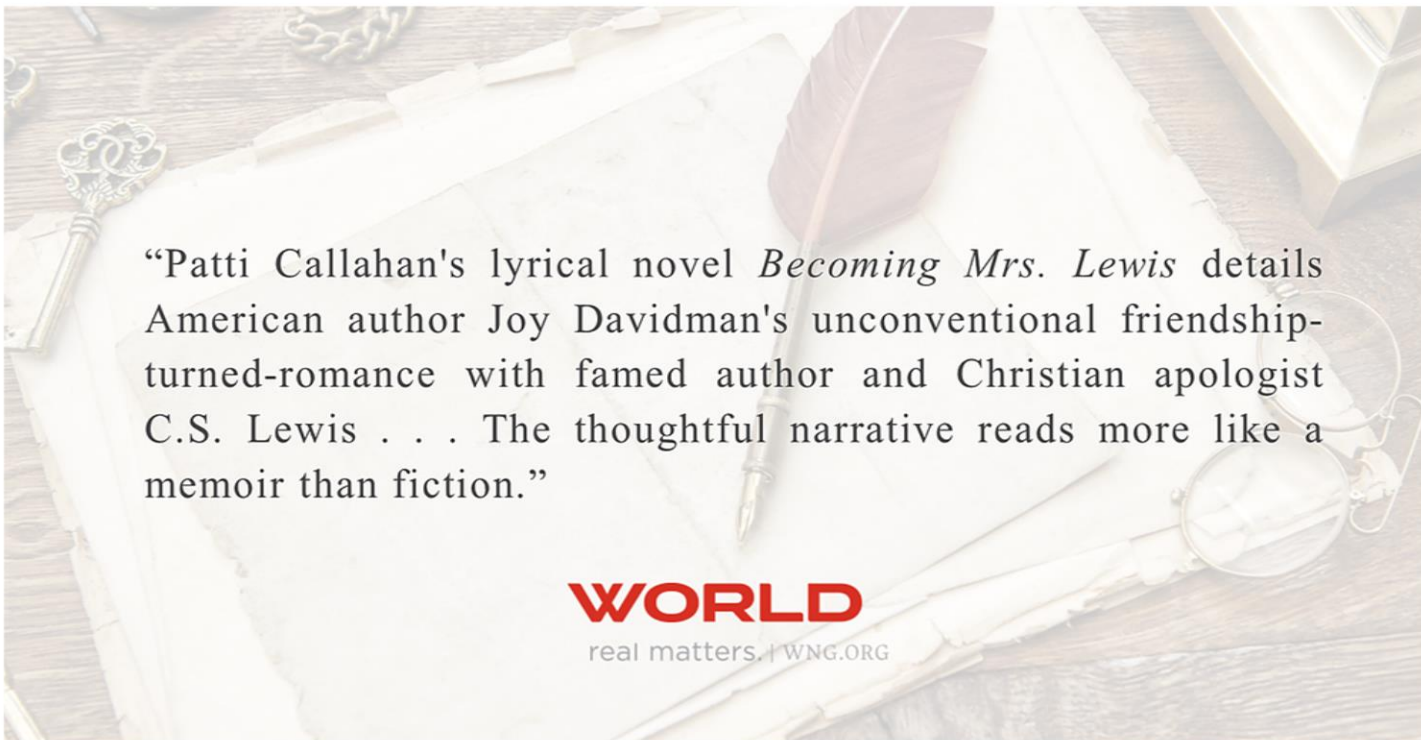
“Readers familiar with the life and work of C.S. Lewis will relish learning about the woman who inspired some of his most famous books. Others will find the slow burn of the romance between the two mesmerizing. All fans of women's fiction, particularly works with religious themes, will appreciate reading about this vibrant and intelligent woman.”—*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

Booklist




“Patti Callahan took a character on the periphery, one who has historically taken a back seat to her male counterpart, and given her a fierce, passionate voice. For those fans of Lewis curious about the woman who inspired *A Grief Observed* this book offers a convincing, fascinating glimpse into the private lives of two very remarkable individuals.”

NEW YORK
journal of books



“Patti Callahan's lyrical novel *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* details American author Joy Davidman's unconventional friendship-turned-romance with famed author and Christian apologist C.S. Lewis . . . The thoughtful narrative reads more like a memoir than fiction.”

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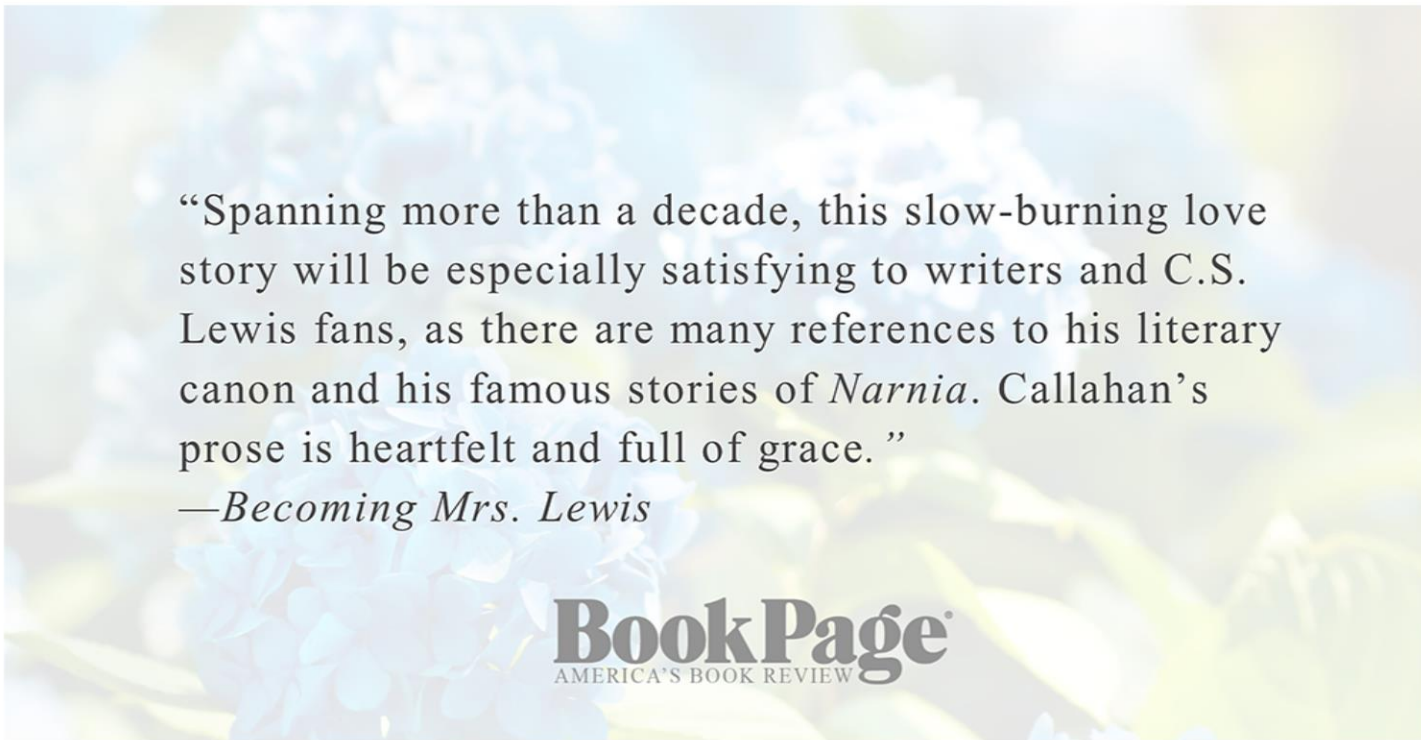


“Patti Callahan has inhabited her subject so convincingly that Joy's light can finally shine brightly. Highly, highly recommended!”



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HISTORICAL NOVEL REVIEWS

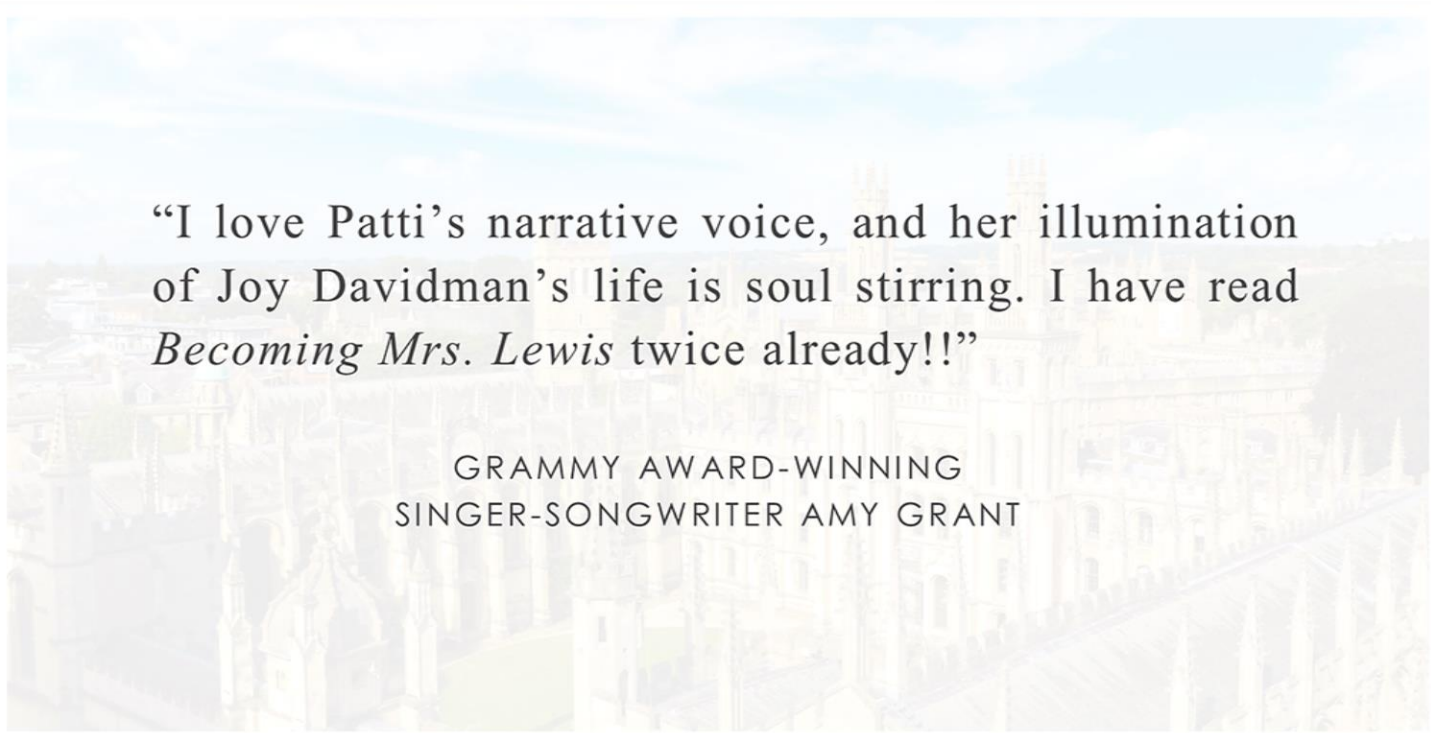


“Spanning more than a decade, this slow-burning love story will be especially satisfying to writers and C.S. Lewis fans, as there are many references to his literary canon and his famous stories of *Narnia*. Callahan’s prose is heartfelt and full of grace.”

—*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

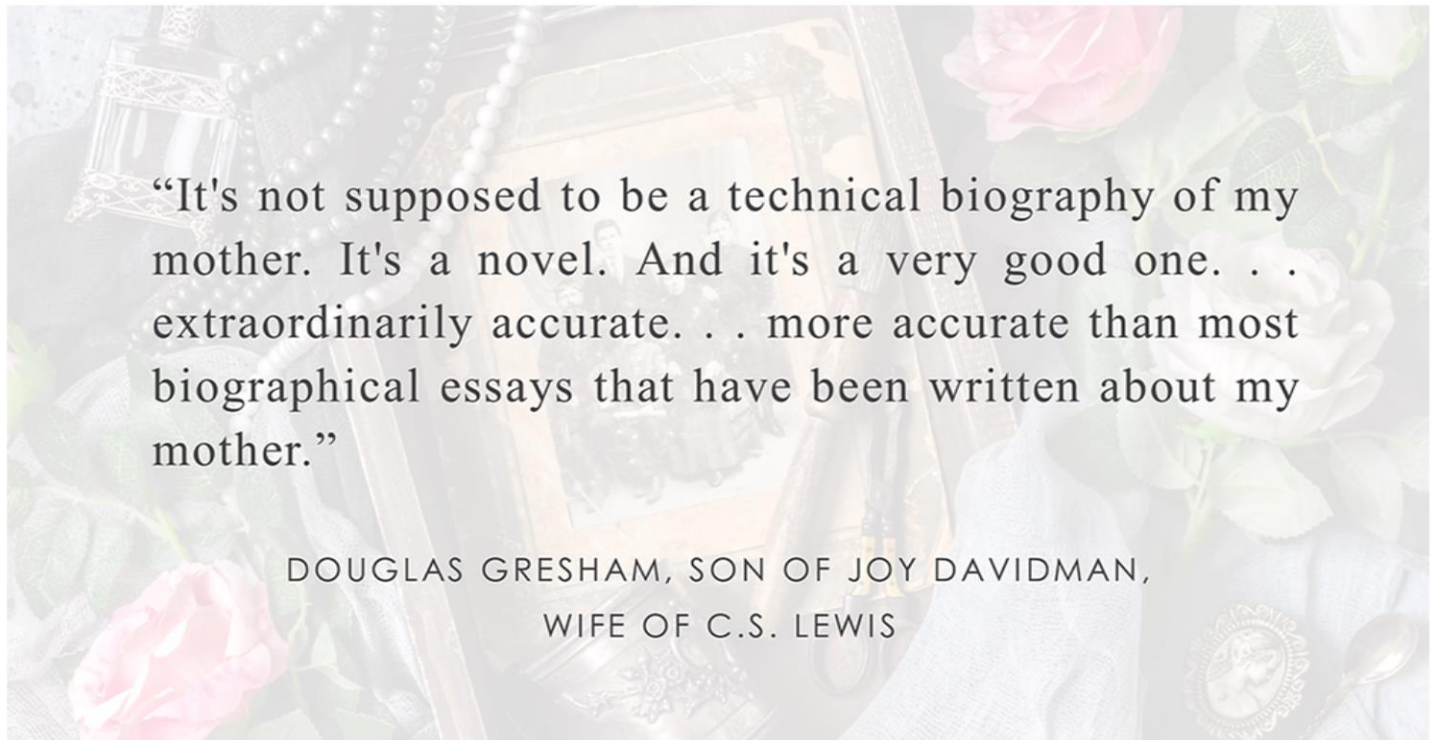
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AMERICA’S BOOK REVIEW

Praise for *Becoming Mrs. Lewis*



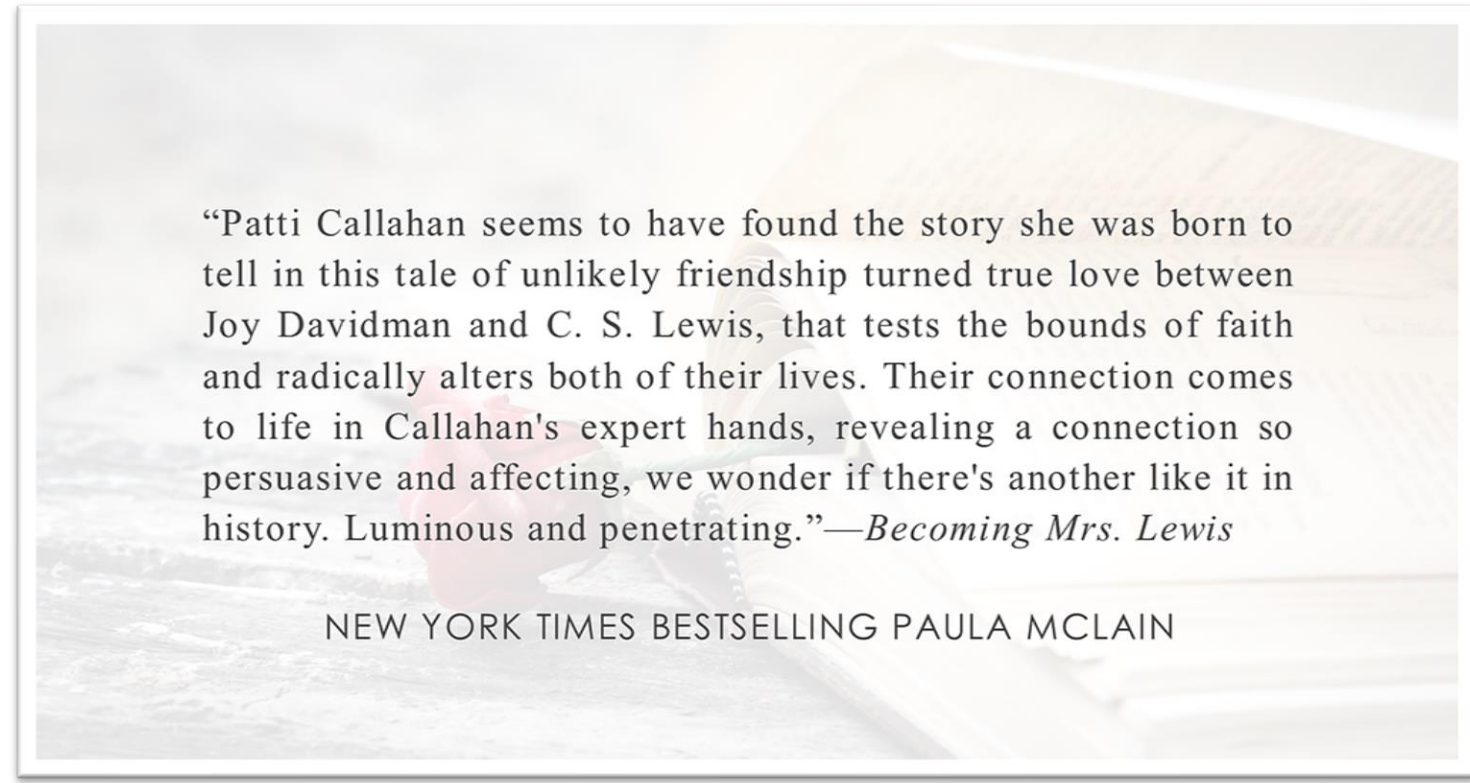
“I love Patti’s narrative voice, and her illumination of Joy Davidman’s life is soul stirring. I have read *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* twice already!!”

GRAMMY AWARD-WINNING
SINGER-SONGWRITER AMY GRANT



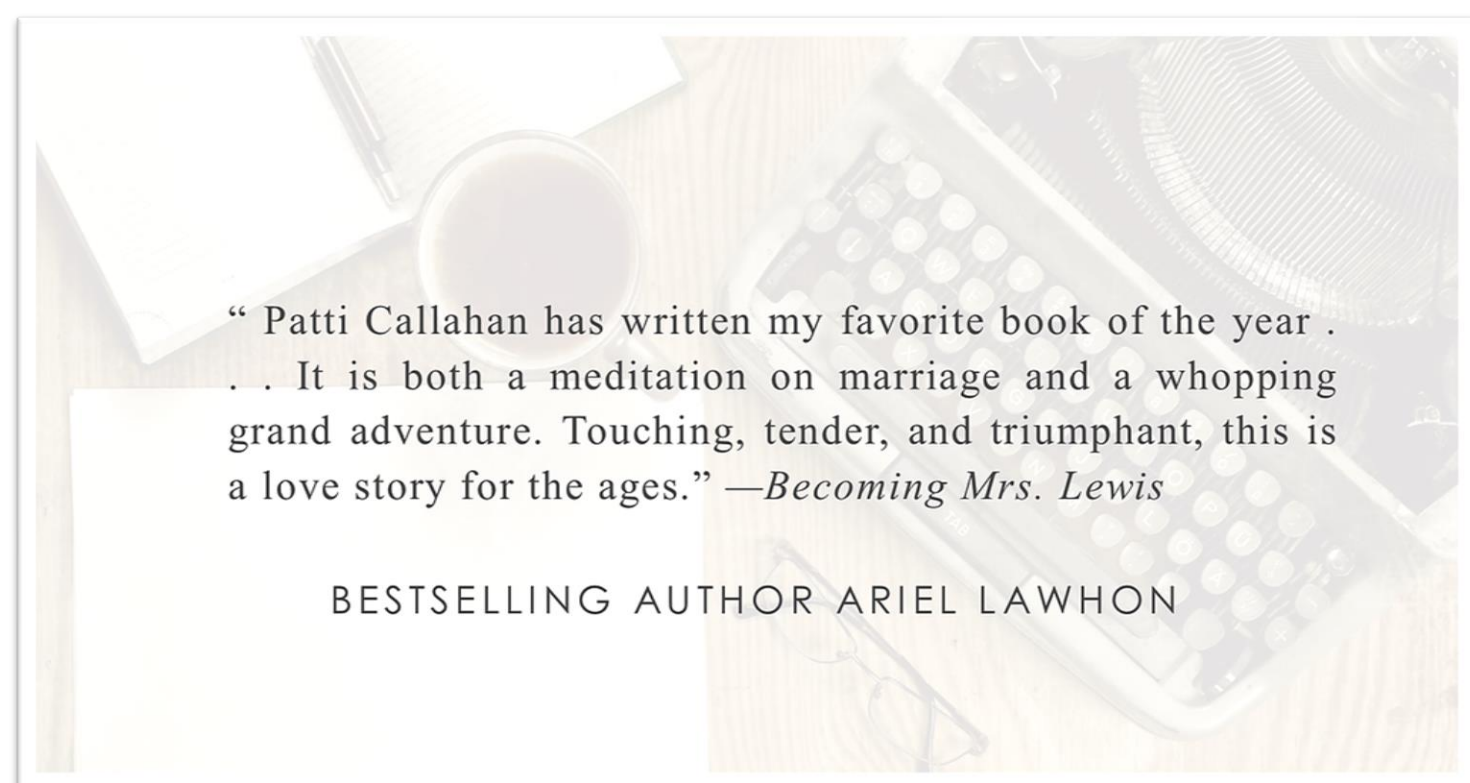
“It's not supposed to be a technical biography of my mother. It's a novel. And it's a very good one. . . extraordinarily accurate. . . more accurate than most biographical essays that have been written about my mother.”

DOUGLAS GRESHAM, SON OF JOY DAVIDMAN,
WIFE OF C.S. LEWIS



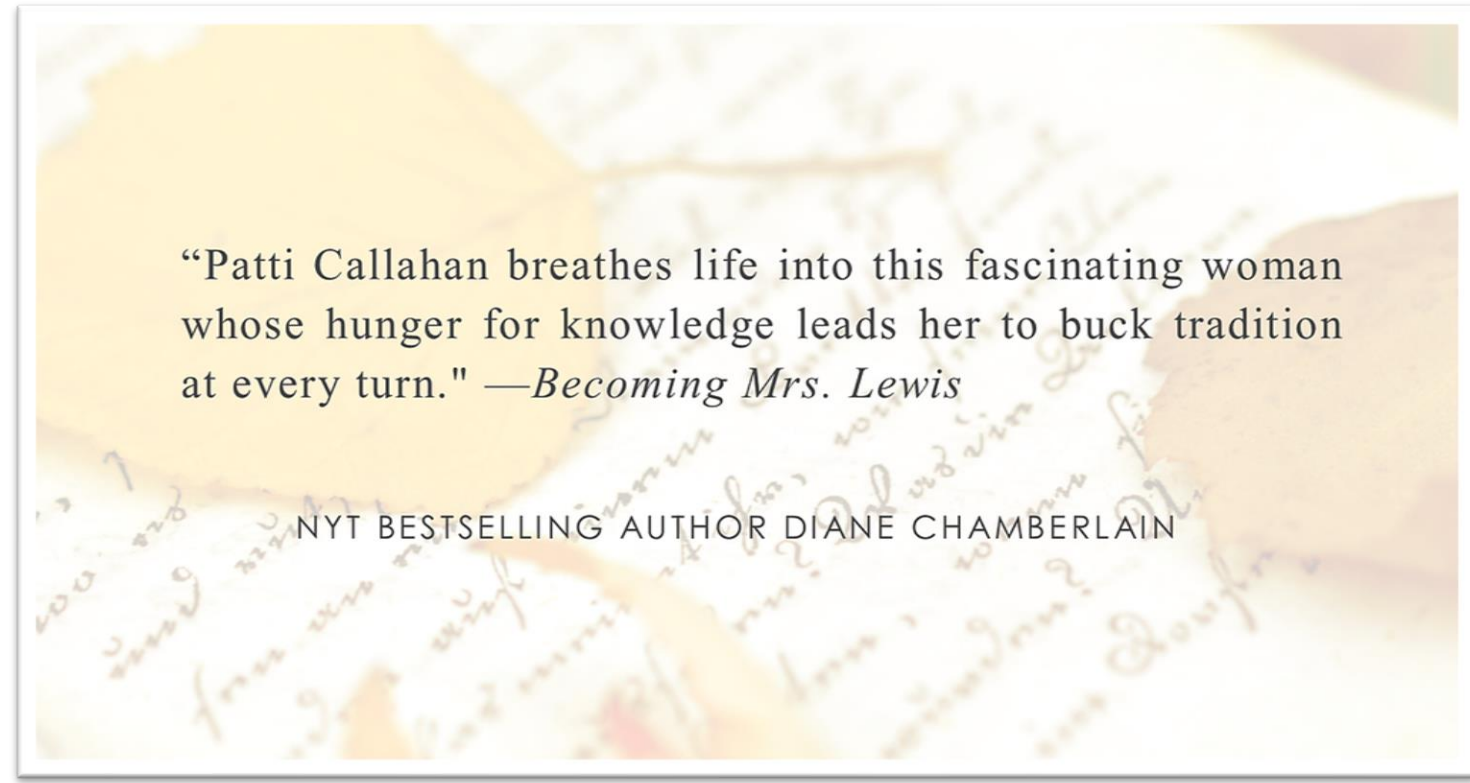
“Patti Callahan seems to have found the story she was born to tell in this tale of unlikely friendship turned true love between Joy Davidman and C. S. Lewis, that tests the bounds of faith and radically alters both of their lives. Their connection comes to life in Callahan's expert hands, revealing a connection so persuasive and affecting, we wonder if there's another like it in history. Luminous and penetrating.”—*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING PAULA MCLAIN



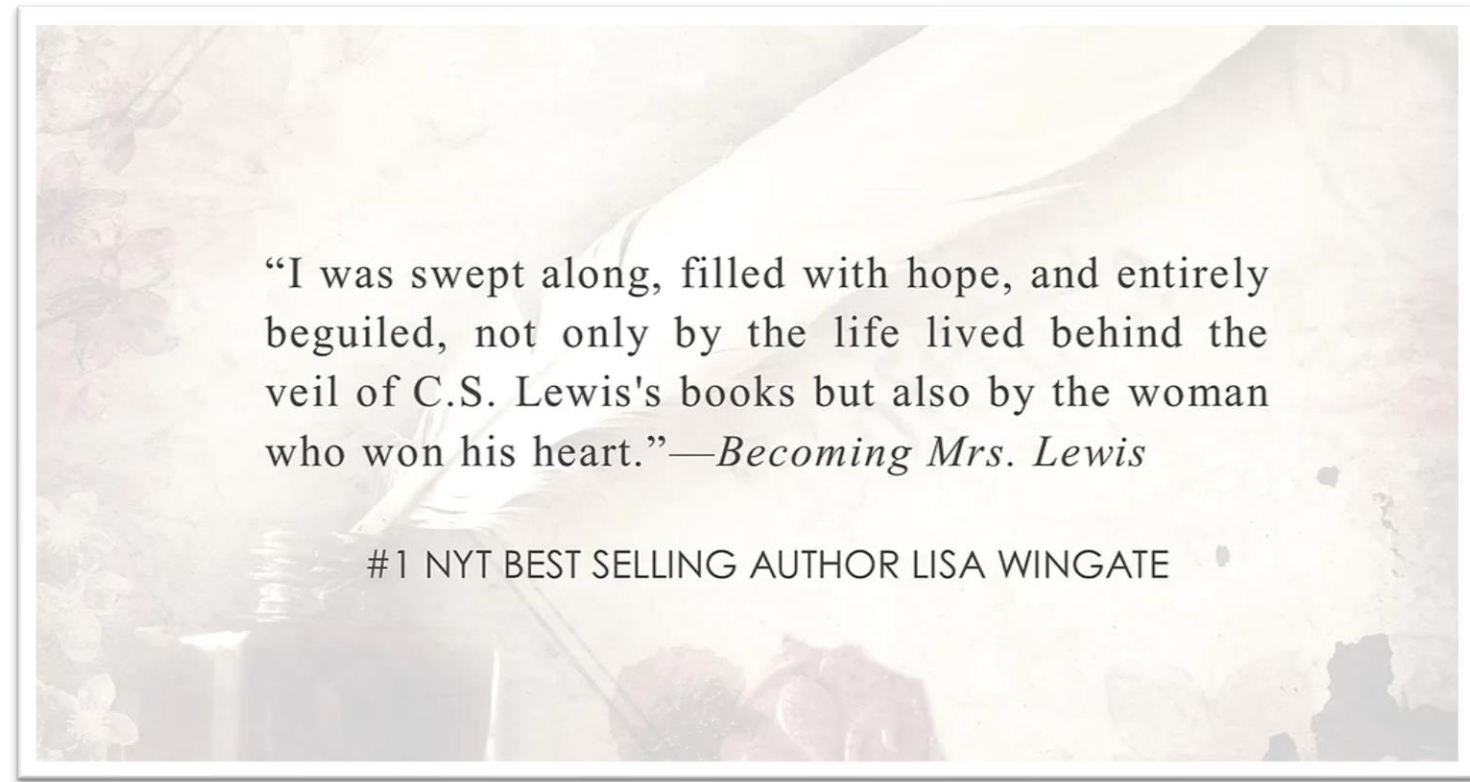
“ Patti Callahan has written my favorite book of the year . . . It is both a meditation on marriage and a whopping grand adventure. Touching, tender, and triumphant, this is a love story for the ages.” —*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

BESTSELLING AUTHOR ARIEL LAWHON



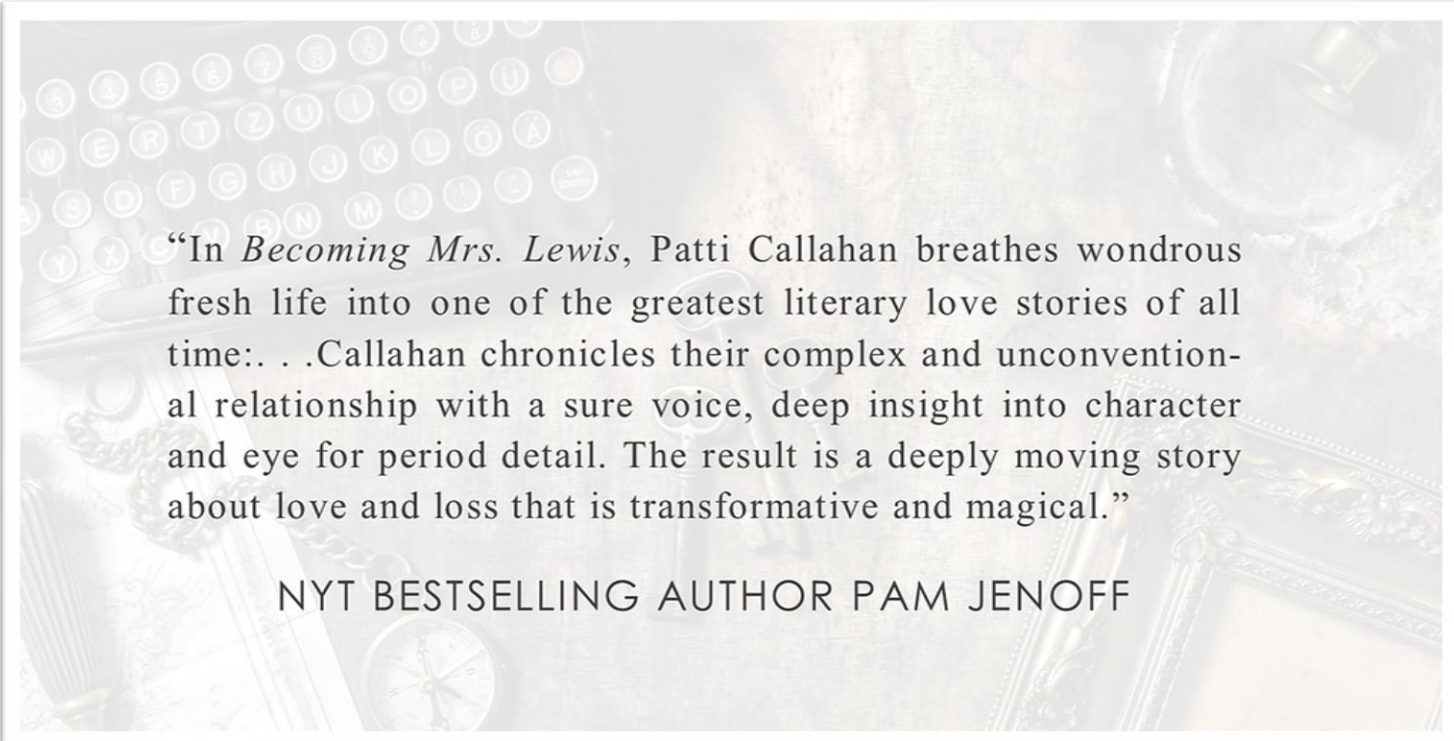
“Patti Callahan breathes life into this fascinating woman whose hunger for knowledge leads her to buck tradition at every turn.” —*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

NYT BESTSELLING AUTHOR DIANE CHAMBERLAIN



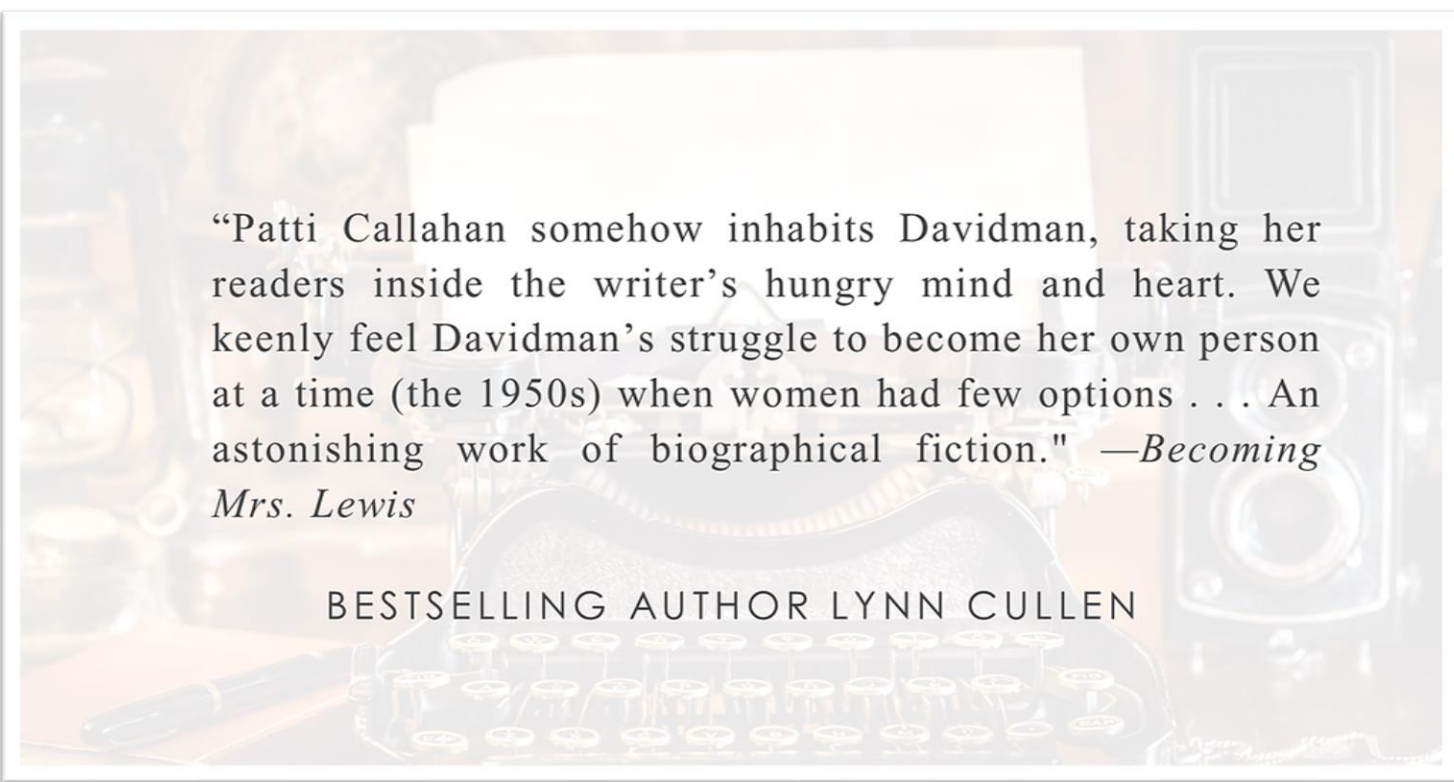
“I was swept along, filled with hope, and entirely beguiled, not only by the life lived behind the veil of C.S. Lewis's books but also by the woman who won his heart.”—*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

#1 NYT BEST SELLING AUTHOR LISA WINGATE



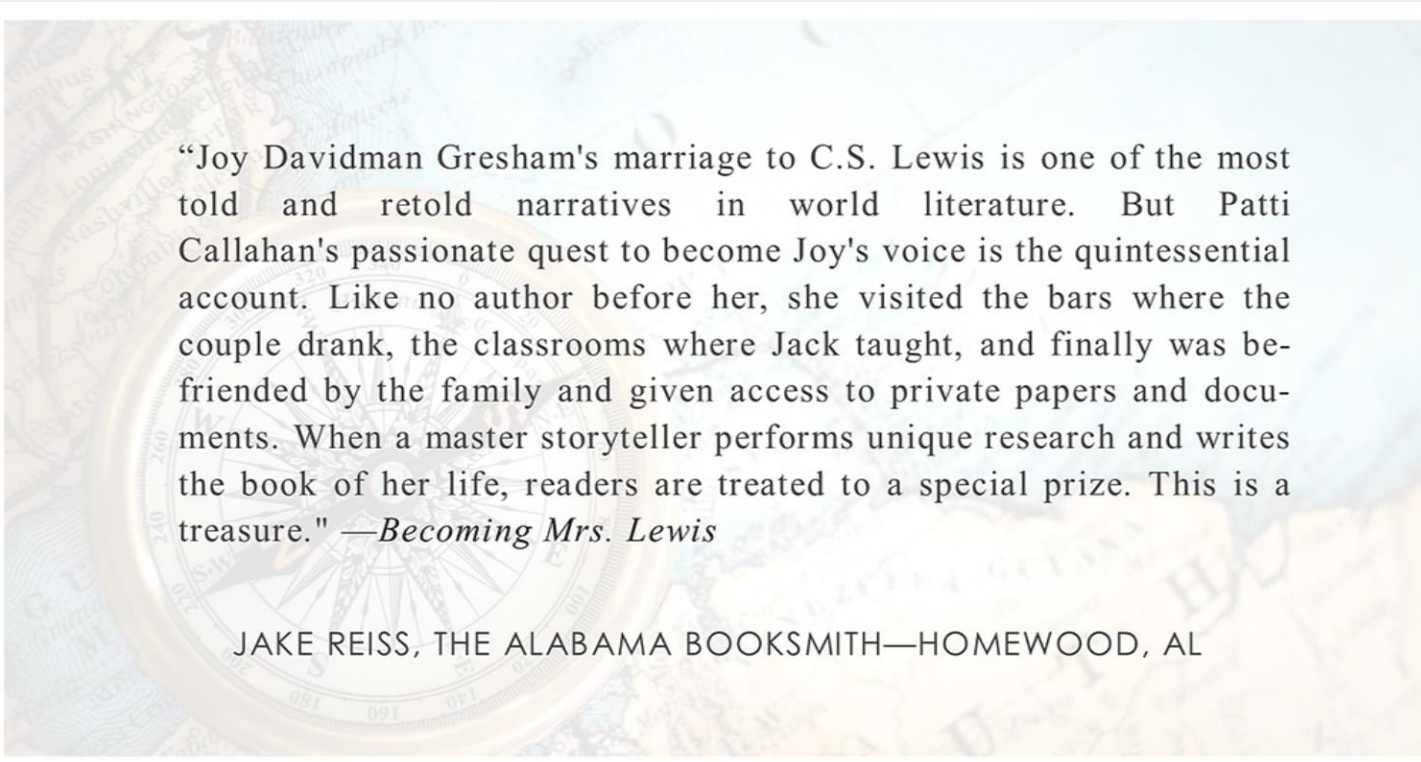
“In *Becoming Mrs. Lewis*, Patti Callahan breathes wondrous fresh life into one of the greatest literary love stories of all time: . . . Callahan chronicles their complex and unconventional relationship with a sure voice, deep insight into character and eye for period detail. The result is a deeply moving story about love and loss that is transformative and magical.”

NYT BESTSELLING AUTHOR PAM JENOFF



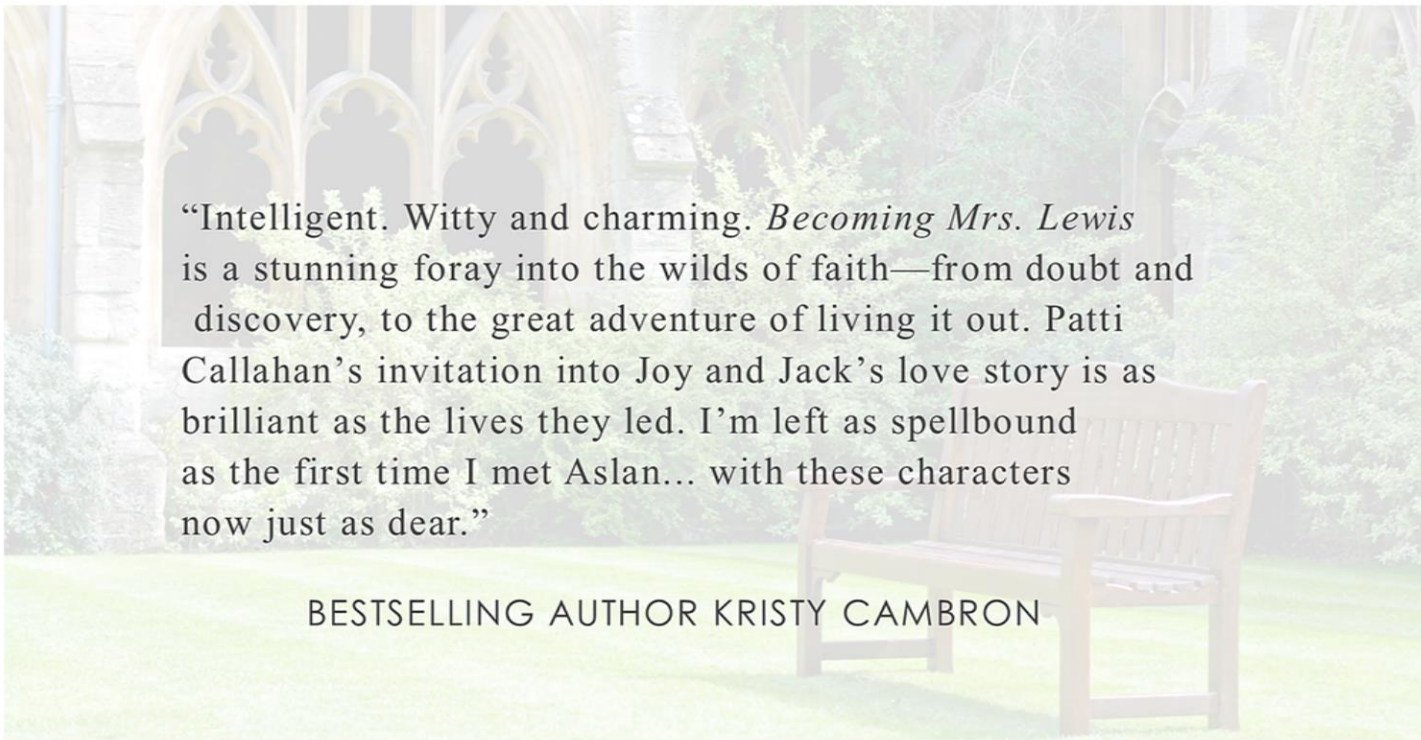
“Patti Callahan somehow inhabits Davidman, taking her readers inside the writer’s hungry mind and heart. We keenly feel Davidman’s struggle to become her own person at a time (the 1950s) when women had few options . . . An astonishing work of biographical fiction.” —*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

BESTSELLING AUTHOR LYNN CULLEN

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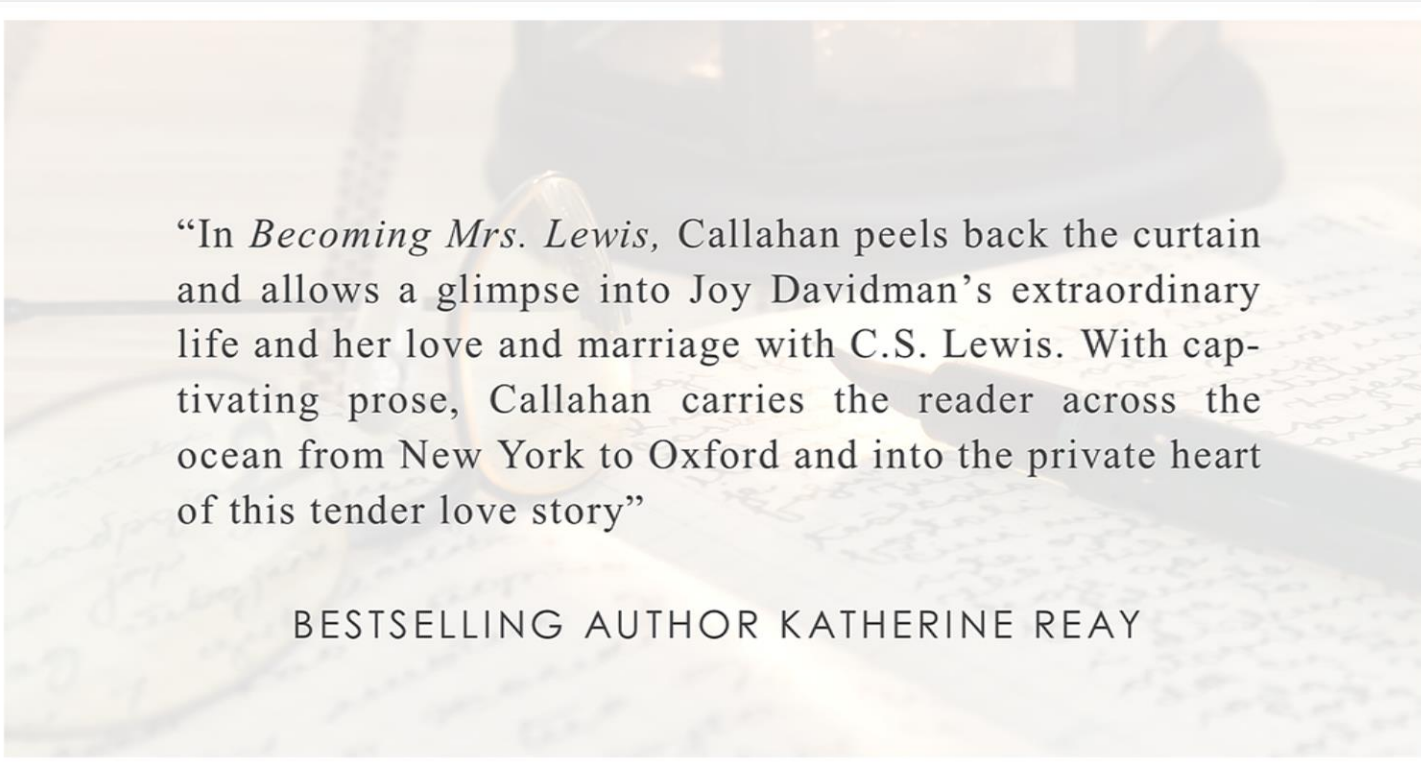
“Joy Davidman Gresham's marriage to C.S. Lewis is one of the most told and retold narratives in world literature. But Patti Callahan's passionate quest to become Joy's voice is the quintessential account. Like no author before her, she visited the bars where the couple drank, the classrooms where Jack taught, and finally was befriended by the family and given access to private papers and documents. When a master storyteller performs unique research and writes the book of her life, readers are treated to a special prize. This is a treasure.” —*Becoming Mrs. Lewis*

JAKE REISS, THE ALABAMA BOOKSMITH—HOMEWOOD, AL

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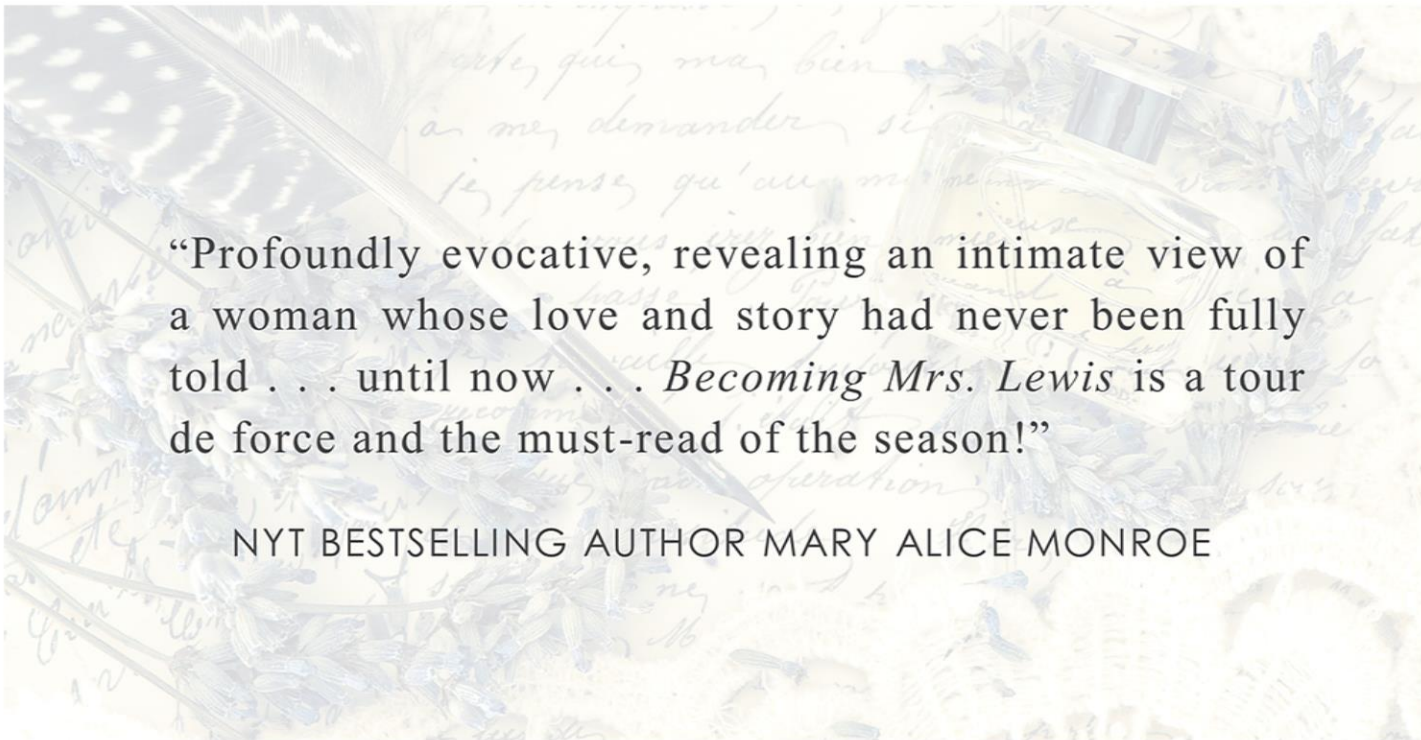
“Intelligent. Witty and charming. *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* is a stunning foray into the wilds of faith—from doubt and discovery, to the great adventure of living it out. Patti Callahan’s invitation into Joy and Jack’s love story is as brilliant as the lives they led. I’m left as spellbound as the first time I met Aslan... with these characters now just as dear.”

BESTSELLING AUTHOR KRISTY CAMBRON

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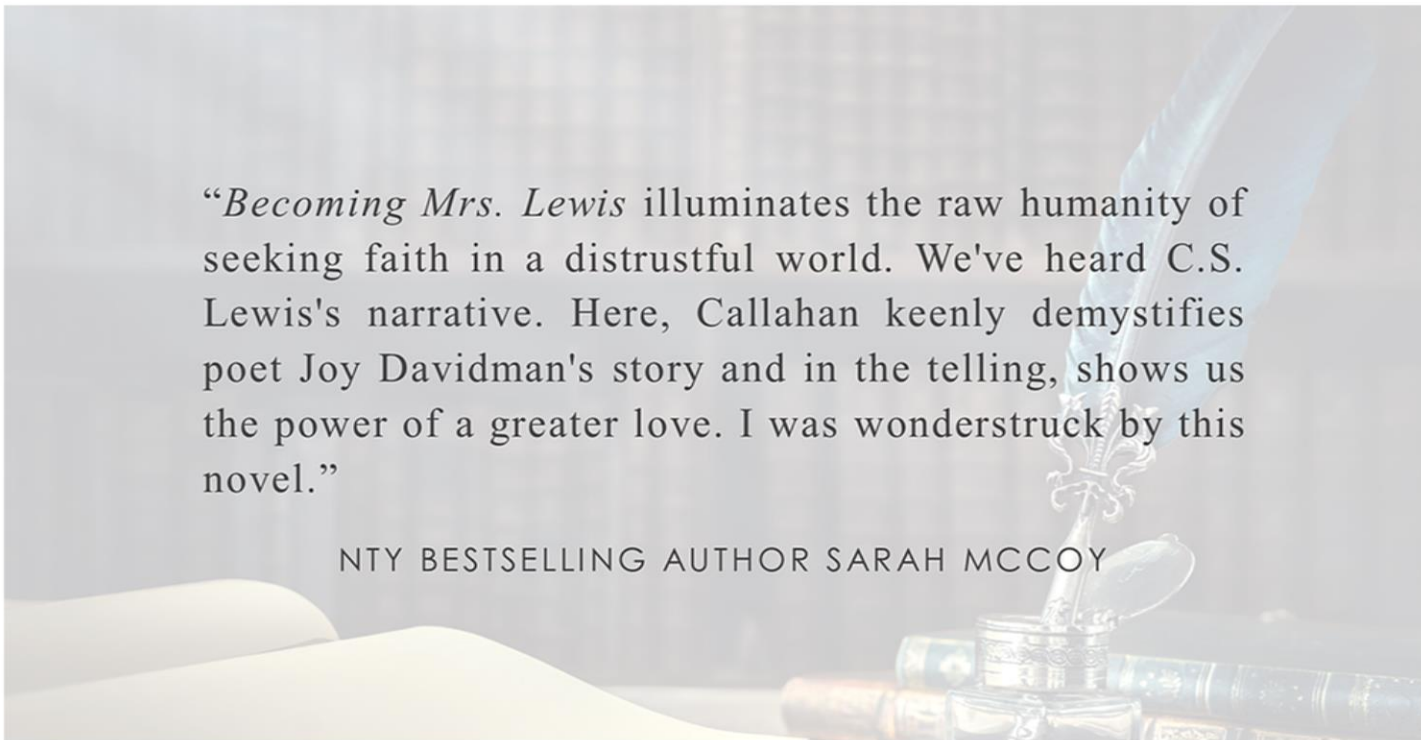
“In *Becoming Mrs. Lewis*, Callahan peels back the curtain and allows a glimpse into Joy Davidman’s extraordinary life and her love and marriage with C.S. Lewis. With captivating prose, Callahan carries the reader across the ocean from New York to Oxford and into the private heart of this tender love story”

BESTSELLING AUTHOR KATHERINE REAY

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“Profoundly evocative, revealing an intimate view of a woman whose love and story had never been fully told . . . until now . . . *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* is a tour de force and the must-read of the season!”

NYT BESTSELLING AUTHOR MARY ALICE MONROE



“Becoming Mrs. Lewis illuminates the raw humanity of seeking faith in a distrustful world. We've heard C.S. Lewis's narrative. Here, Callahan keenly demystifies poet Joy Davidman's story and in the telling, shows us the power of a greater love. I was wonderstruck by this novel.”

NTY BESTSELLING AUTHOR SARAH MCCOY