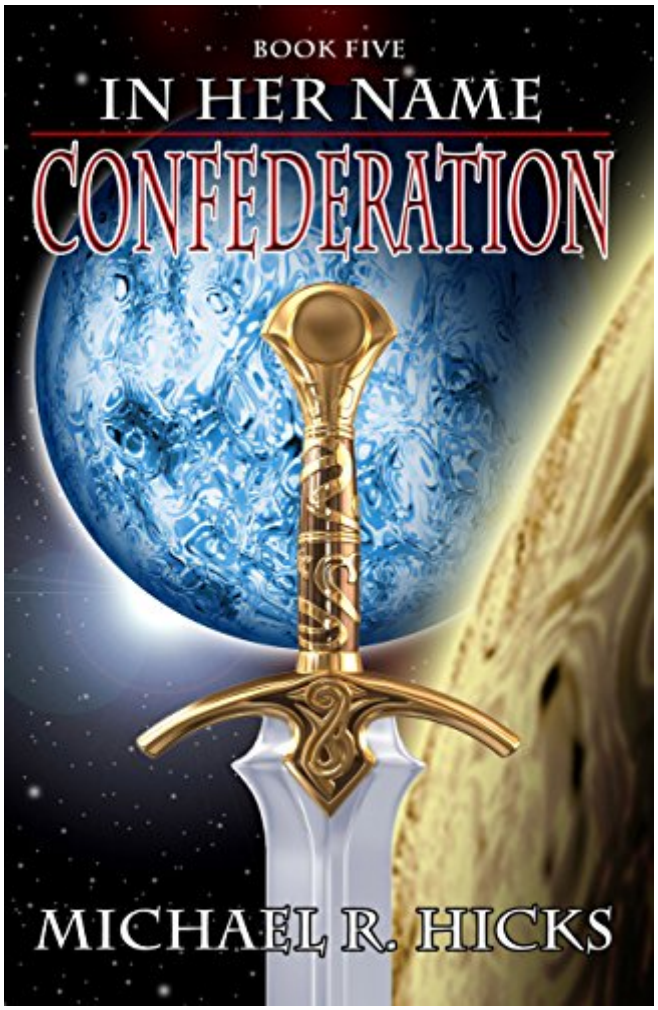
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Customer Reviews

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AS ONE OF THE BEST SPACE OPERAS EVER WRITTEN!Michael Hicks, with "Confederation ", the second book of the "Redemption " trilogy, continues to tie so many different storylines together in a masterfully written volume. His "In Her Name" series of trilogies is just the BEST space opera that I have read so far.Hicks is a great storyteller, in the sort of military stories that Homer once wrote. He also ties together elements of so many different stories into a coherent whole. In this book, there are several heart-rending romances, mysticism, evil politicians, self-sacrificing heroes, true friends, bitter enemies;.all connected through the constant conflict and struggle.Humanity seems to be threatened more seriously than ever. The aliens who threaten

humanity are actually much closer to total destruction. Each side fights as it must, for survival. Interestingly, each civilization learns from the other and changes...slowly. Can the two races together preserve both civilizations?NOTE: These stories are much better read in order, although each book is a complete story.

Oh, wow. I should start by saying that not only do I read a lot (among other things, I edit other peopleÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s writing), but that a lot of what I read is dull, uninspiring or simply not all that interesting.But I accumulate ebooks, particularly free ones. Then, when I am casting about for something new to read, I scroll through the library on my tablets/Kindles until something strikes my fancy. IÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢ve encountered several series that were good enough to hold my interest, at least until the cost of the next book exceeded my interest level.So when I began First Contact, the first of the In Her Name series, I wasnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t expecting more than a decent read. God, was I surprised. By the time I finished that first book, I owned all nine books in the series. IÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢ve finished reading them and not only am I disappointed to have reached the end, I want to know what happens to the characters after! There arenÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t many series that I react to like that. The only science-fiction series that compares, in my mind, is David WeberÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s Honor Harrington series, and from me, that is high praise indeed. IÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢d give these books six stars if I could - or perhaps ten. TheyÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢re that good.

Like the first book in this series, "Empire," the author provides vivid, rich descriptions of the worlds and characters he has created in "Confederation." In this installment of Reza’s story, Reza is basically a super-human, so I thought it would be difficult for the author to make Reza come across as anything but "I am big warrior! Hear me roar!" Reza possesses his own set of weaknesses in this novel, however, which made the read surprising and believable. This Sci-Fi novel is filled with a plethora of unique and intriguing cultures, but is driven by its characters.I found some areas of the novel to be quite wordy and far lengthier than comfortable. The author spends a few pages describing the history of new characters sometimes, despite some of them residing in the background for the majority of the novel. Most of this information was forgotten and never brought up again, and the essential bits of knowledge of these background characters could have been conveyed within a sentence or two.

Day-um ! Well done Mr. Hicks.I’m the cheap ebook reader; that is, I wait until Book Bub alerts me to

a free ebook of interest and I "buy" one at $00.00. Great program: allows you sample the wares before investing, so to speak.A great and original story of a female Alien ian race that has a Klingon-like love of war and honor.I just finished the trilogy and paid full price for last two copies. A rare occurrence I will attest. I never thought I'd care about characters as much as I ended up caring about the one, then the two, three and now four main players. And the complexity and richness of the relationships as they develop, blossom, then [supposedly] die, are magnificent. The author writes the love scenes well for a male. Of course all the guys are waiting for a threesome to occur...but something tells me that is not likely. And as a male author, his blood and gore spend stays surprisingly within budget--and believability--and is not overdone. Two pleasant surprises here that differ from similar authors.I was curious how Mr. Hicks would answer the question, "Where are all the Alien males ?" Great resolution ! (No, the females do not eat them a la the Black Widow).I will look into the other books in the series. Thanks for a great read.Sincerely,Happy Reader

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