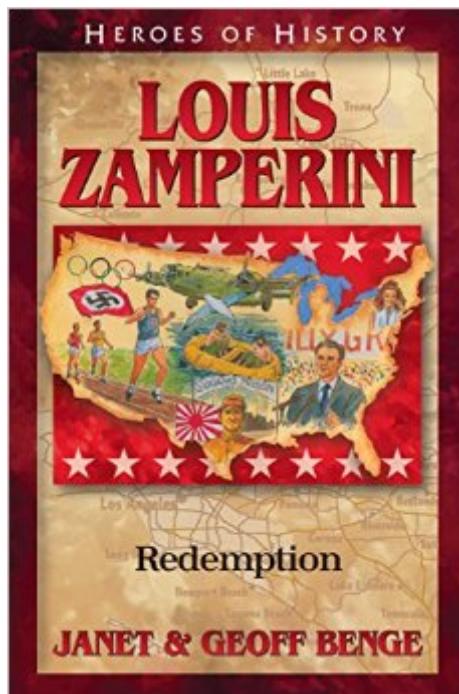


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# Louis Zamperini: Redemption (Heroes Of History)



## Synopsis

When the canteen water supply ran dry again, Louie began to doubt they'd survive. He thought back to when he first arrived in Hawaii and Eddie Rickenbacker and his crew had just been rescued from a record of twenty-one days drifting on rafts much like the one Louie was in. Louie was sure that twenty-one days on a life raft represented the outer limits of human survival. As an Olympic runner, a bombardier in the Army Air Corps, and a prisoner of war, Louis Zamperini was determined to thrive and survive. Never backing down from a challenge, he lived a life of adventure while modeling hope and forgiveness to a generation. A magnet for trouble as a boy, Louie determined to create a new path for himself. Nicknamed the "Torrance Tornado," he set national records and traveled to the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin. His resolve as a runner was matched by his will to survive a plane crash, weeks adrift at sea, and years in a prison camp. This American hero encouraged countless others to have faith and to persevere through trials, revealing that no life is beyond redemption.

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## Customer Reviews

I really enjoyed this book, I read it in 2 days! While Louis did not do as much "foreign missions" as most of the other books I've read, he mostly stayed in the states. When he opened his mouth to speak, lives were changed. ( both in the States, and Japan) Definitely a good book for anyone 10 or older!

So, you wrote a "1 star" review on a book you did not read: Your choice to do so, speaks volumes as to who you are at your core. To judge another person's work without reading it would cause me to question your level of integrity by doing so. The tone of your review was actually a key reason I decided to read this version of Mr. Zamperini's story. I found it to be well researched and very well written for a wide audience ranging from upper elementary to adults. I've since read several more of the Benge's biography books and found them to be well-written, engaging stories crafted for a broad audience. Keep in mind that not everyone is looking for a 400 page book on a particular person's life. I've found this title and several of the Benge's books perfect to take on a flight and can usually finish one before touching down on the East Coast. Mr. Karl, when someone else retells a story in a different tone from a different perspective, whether in print form, movie format, or on stage; that retelling does not lessen the value of another writer or artist's view. I've read numerous books covering a person's life or a particular moment in time, and have enjoyed the different perspectives from each author. To read various books on the same subject tends to broaden and enrich one's view, not narrow it. I find your review sadly lacking and wonder if you are perhaps a relative of Laura Hillenbrand? You seem to take it as a personal affront if someone would dare read another book on Mr. Zamperini's life. I've read some of Hillenbrand's work and find her to be an excellent author, but doing so did not create in me the deep need to trash another author's work to defend her, especially if I had not read the book in question. I doubt Ms. Hillenbrand would agree with your line of reasoning or the tone of your review. Food for thought. Respectfully -JD

My 8 year old son chose this for a biography book report at school. He found Zamperini's life story very interesting and thoroughly enjoyed the book. He had a little trouble at the very beginning because the timeline / flashback.

This is a great story following the life of an Italian immigrant through all of the struggles and triumphs, and ultimately his salvation and ministry.

Great authors. My 13-year-old son enjoyed reading this book and learning about this great man and his life.

This was a very good book. I really enjoyed the story of Louis Zamperini's life. This book is a great one.

Fantastic book and real. Not a Hollywood version of his life.

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