JAY SHEARER

The Pulpit vs. The Hole

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With descriptions that flash and sparkle with the same youthful exuberance of his young characters, Jay Shearer gives a different and welcomed kind of coming-of-age tale. This work is touching, surprising and, most of all, smart.

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ABOUT THE CHAP:

Jay Shearer’s novelette The Pulpit vs. The Hole follows a group of teenagers at a co-ed Christian summer camp. Shearer artfully explores teenaged angst in such a way that is remarkable and memorable, and produces characters we all once were, or at least knew.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

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