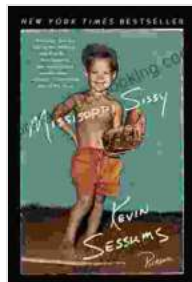


# Mississippi Sissy: A Memoir of Growing Up Gay in the American South



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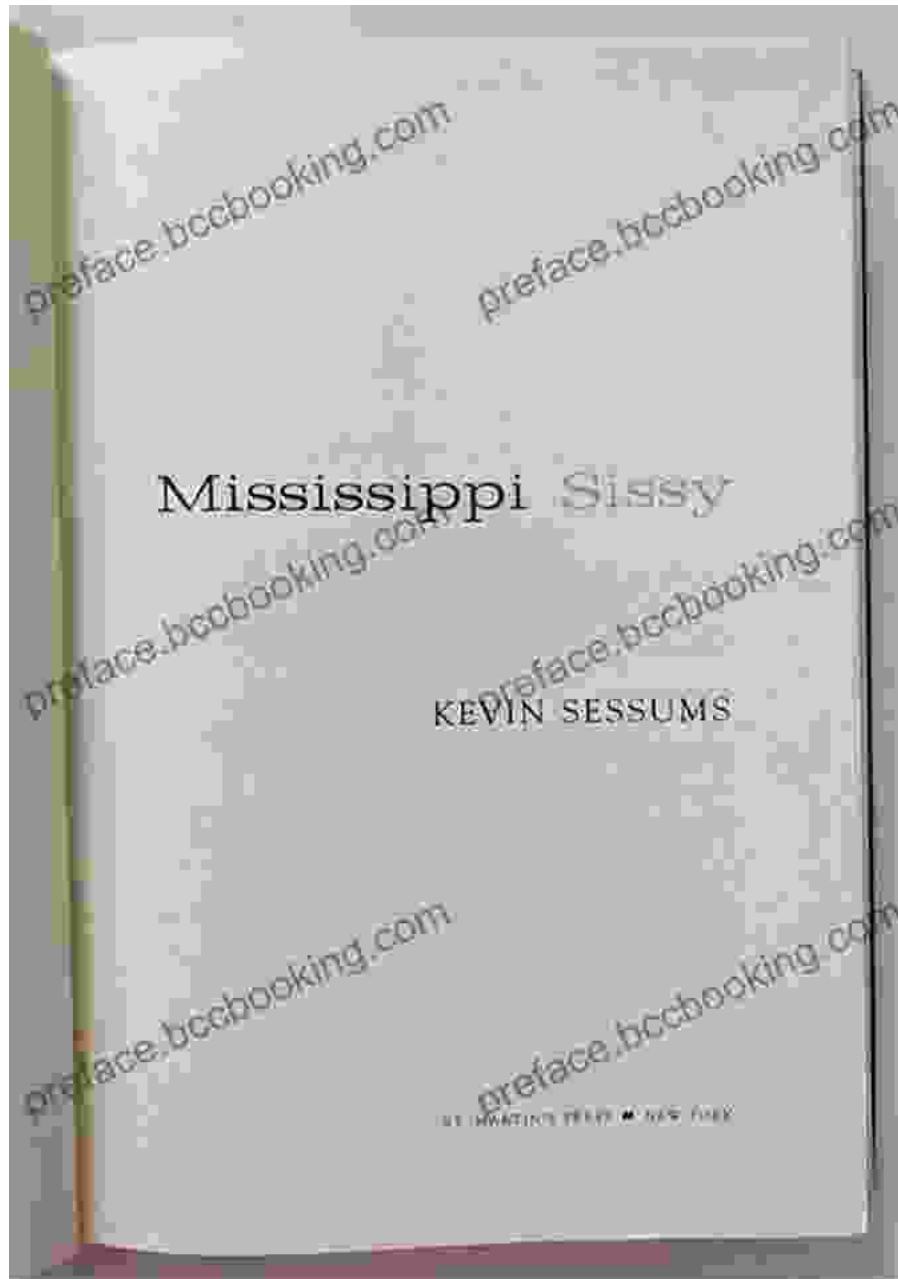
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Mississippi Sissy is a memoir by Kevin Sessums, a gay man who grew up in the American South. The book recounts his experiences of growing up in a conservative and homophobic environment, and his struggles to come to terms with his sexuality.

Sessums was born in Mississippi in 1959. He grew up in a small town where homosexuality was not tolerated. Sessums's parents were both

devout Christians, and they taught him that homosexuality was a sin. Sessums struggled with his sexuality for many years. He was afraid to come out to his parents, and he worried that he would be rejected by his community.

In his memoir, Sessums writes about the many challenges he faced growing up gay in the American South. He describes the loneliness and isolation he felt, and the fear and shame that he internalized. Sessums also writes about the moments of joy and acceptance that he experienced. He writes about the friendships he formed with other gay people, and the support he found from his chosen family.

Mississippi Sissy is a powerful and moving memoir. Sessums writes with honesty and candor about the challenges he faced growing up gay in the American South. His memoir is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit, and it is a reminder that love and acceptance can overcome even the most difficult of circumstances.

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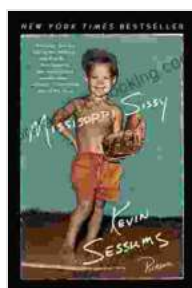
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## About the Author

Kevin Sessums is an American writer and journalist. He is the author of several novels and memoirs, including Mississippi Sissy, I Left My Heart in San Francisco, and The New York Times bestseller, The Boy on the Bus. Sessums has also written for numerous magazines and newspapers, including The New York Times, The Washington Post, and Vanity Fair.



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