

Can you be who you authentically are and still be accepted by those most important to you?

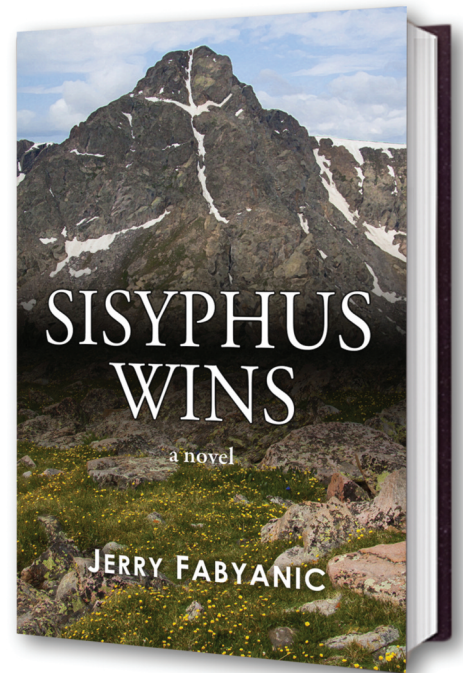
A sobering story of one man's struggle with himself, his family, and his church. A real page-turner even when the reader is afraid of what the next page will reveal. Jerry masterfully dances back and forth between distressing life events, deep philosophical ponderings, and lighthearted experiences. The reader is ultimately left wondering where the line is between truth and fiction.

— Jason C. Steinle, author of *Upload Experience*

Jonathan Slovanco finds comfort and safety both in his large family and in the Catholic Church. But as he matures, he realizes that a fundamental difference between him and other boys may alienate him from everything and everyone he holds dear. When he is confronted with the cold truth that he is on his own, Jonathan leaves his family, his friends, and his church to uncover the truth of his being. During that struggle, he realizes that the journey is his to walk and that only he can resolve the conflicts he faces with himself and his world. It is only in the realm of nature that he finds peace.

As a teacher of American literature, Jonathan knows that great works of fiction are more true than nonfiction because they deal with universal truths. It is in them, particularly in the story of the “unconquering whale,” *Moby Dick*, that he is able to sort out and make sense of the conflicting aspects of his life.

Jonathan finds his truth and discovers innate courage, but for Jonathan, coming to self-acceptance is difficult enough. Coupling that with the bravery needed to reveal his genuine self to his family feels like a Sisyphean effort.



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