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20 of 21 people found the following review helpful. An inspiring story about an amazing manBy RyanMax Edelman is by far one of the most amazing people I have the honor of knowing. When he told me about this book over Thanksgiving, I immediately ordered it from . Though I had a general idea of what he had been through in his past, this book brought it to life in much more detail than I'd ever known about. My respect for him grew even more every

page I turned. Through the help of Calvin, Boychick and Tobi, it is truly inspiring to read about how Max became a leader on the forefront of helping other blind people make the most of their lives through his volunteer work, as well as finally being able to open up about the past, and share his story with the world through speaking engagements and published works he has written. I highly recommend this book to everyone. It will both bring tears to your eyes and put a smile on your face as you are taken through the journey of Max's life, and how getting over his fear of dogs has helped him make the most of it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Inspiring Book By SKaye I liked this book, but wasn't sure if I would. Parts of it were horrific and I wondered how someone can preserve their humanity under circumstances like that. In parts of it I rooted for the man to overcome his past. But somehow I knew the dog was the answer to breaking out of his past, tragic history. Finally to see all he accomplished when he broke free from that past was so inspiring. Sometimes I worry about my problems, but I realize they are small in comparison to the mountain of things he carried throughout his life. 20 of 21 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful story beautifully written By Carol A. Sanger I admit I love books about animals and the special connections they can have with their humans, but this book is so much more than that. It's a story of a man who by rights shouldn't have survived his youth, much less stride into his nineties. It's a story of life-long learning ... and repressing. And ultimately it's the story of love, devotion and trust and how those things can change a life forever. Trusting Calvin is a gem of a book by an author who knows better than most how to tell a story. It's a beautiful story beautifully written. I found it hard to put down!

Max Edelman was just 17 when the Nazis took him from his Jewish ghetto in Poland to the first of five work camps, where his only hope of survival was to keep quiet and raise an emotional shield. After witnessing a German Shepherd kill a fellow prisoner, he developed a lifelong fear of dogs. Later beaten into blindness by two bored guards, Max survived, buried the past, and moved on to a new life in America, becoming an X-ray technician. But when he retired, he needed help. He needed a guide dog. After a month of training, he received Calvin, a handsome, devoted chocolate Labrador retriever. Calvin guided Max safely through life, but he sensed the distance and reserve of Max's emotional shield. Calvin grew listless and lost weight. Trainers intervened but to no avail. A few days before Calvin's inevitable reassignment, Max went for an afternoon walk. A car cut into the crosswalk, and Calvin leapt forward, saving Max's life. Max's emotional shield dissolved. Calvin sensed the change and immediately improved, guiding Max to greater openness, trust, and engagement with the world. Here is the remarkable, touching story of a man who survived history and the dog that unlocked his heart.

"A well-written, grim portrayal of Edelman's struggle to survive." Publishers Weekly "Sharon Peters masterfully shares the journey of Calvin, Boychick, and Tobi, the guide dogs who penetrated a Holocaust survivor's pain, distrust, and blindness. Max Edelman's life-affirming and exquisitely written story raises love for dogs to a whole new level of respect and gratitude. This book's messages of hope and healing are impossible to forget and essential to remember." Allen and Linda Anderson, cofounders of Angel Animals Network and authors of *A Dog Named Leaf: The Hero from Heaven Who Saved My Life*