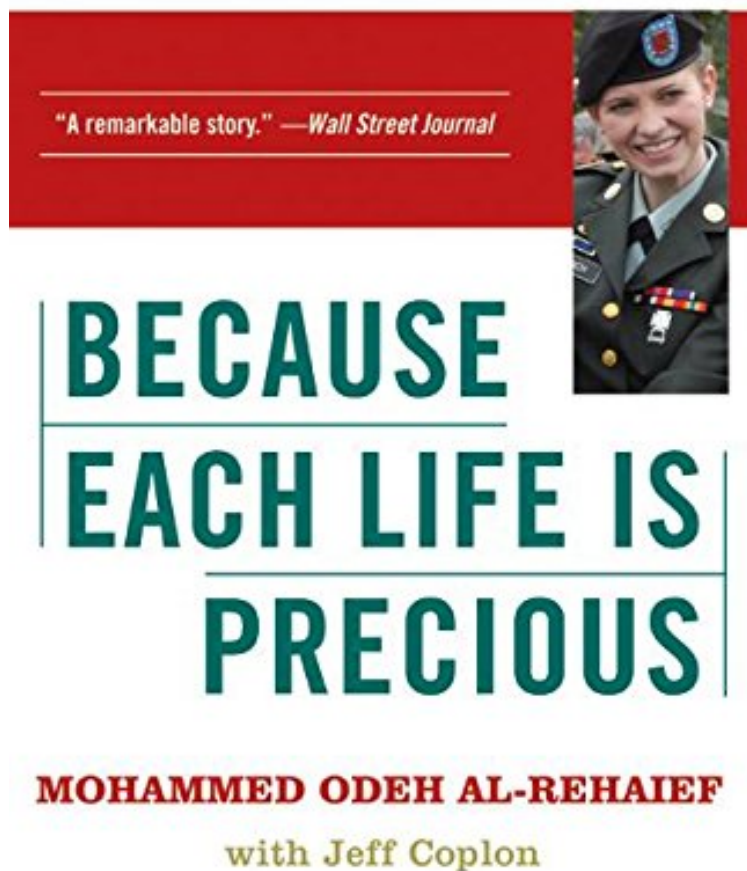


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FestusFive stars for bravado and shameless self-promotion. The Guardian reported on the astonishing faked rescue of Jessica Lynch as long ago as May 2003 [!] including the fact that military video producers based their made-for-TV "rescue" on the story line and production techniques in Jerry Bruckheimer's fictional "Black Hawk Down." That is, Jessica Lynch's "rescue" was in fact inspired by a movie. Wow. How stupid are we?It has been clear for nearly four years that Mr. Al-Rehaief's reward for his part in the staged rescue was asylum in the US and a big book contract. Hey--knowing how grim the situation in Iraq has become--how the American war has devastated civil society and led to a civil war--can you blame Mr. Al-Rehaief for grabbing a ticket out of a hell on earth?If I taught journalism classes, I would use this book as an example of how effectively governments have learned to use media to hoodwink citizens. Shameful, sad, and cynical--what a perfect document for the war in Iraq.

When thirty-three-year-old Mohammed Odeh al-Rehaief made the decision to risk his life and his family to save Private First Class Jessica Lynch -- an American soldier he did not know -- it was more than the everyday reckoning with death that permeates wartime. It was the culmination of a life spent at odds with the repressive regime that held his country.Mohammed's story is a coming of age tale in a society where violence and betrayal were everyday events, where one in five adult males worked for the state's security apparatus, where a president-for-life demanded absolute loyalty and adulation. Yet even as he navigates a culture tarnished by brutality and corruption, Mohammed reveals unexpected sides of Iraq -- scenes of surprising tenderness and stubborn generosity -- and emerges as an unlikely hero whose values transcend ideology: honor, compassion, and an unshakable belief in the sanctity of human life.

Genuinely riveting. (Newsweek)A remarkable story. (Wall Street Journal)About the AuthorMohammed Odeh al-Rehaief is a 33-year-old Iraqi attorney who plunged into the middle of the biggest story of the recent war in Iraq: the rescue of Pvt. Jessica Lynch. Granted asylum in the U.S. in April for his extraordinary act of courage, Mohammed is now employed by The Livingston Group, a lobbying firm in Washington, DC. He resides outside the city with his wife, Iman, and their six-year-old daughter, Abir.