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## HELL ON CHURCH STREET By Jake HINKSON

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Set in the American South, a Place of Social Conservatism and Values Voters, 'Hell on Church Street' is narrated in the First Person by Geoffrey Webb. When we first meet Geoffrey he is about to be held up by an un-named Criminal, having been identified as a Loser and an Easy Mark. What follows is an Account of the Events that Geoffrey has been running from and left him living as a "Termite".

Geoffrey Webb is a Youth Pastor for a small Arkansas Baptist Church. He knows Religion is all a 'Scam', but he got into the 'Racke't due to his Ability to People Please and the Church's Begrudging Acceptance of him when no one else on Earth would. He is carrying on an Affair with the Underage Daughter of the Church's Pastor, her lack of Friends and self-esteem seeming to keep him in the clear legally, until the Local Sheriff gets Wind of their Boning Down.

Jake Hinkson creates a Believably over-the-top Story about the Pitfalls of Obsession and Greed, and Geoffrey Webb, while a Sadistic Killer by the Tale's End, is the kind of Guy whom People can't help but Root for. The Pacing is pitch-perfect, and the Story never slows down. This makes 'Hell on Church Street' an Exceptionally Fast Read, and it also makes the Surprises that much more Shocking....

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