

SYNOPSIS

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The A newborn in a neonatal ICU baffles doctors when a birthmark on his collar bone bleeds for no apparent medical reason. And the bleeding stops abruptly when his twin sister is brought into the room. Meet CHARLIE and MOLLY HAGAN.

Charlie is an 18-year-old loner today. Years of medical tests have revealed no answers to his birthmark. And the one person he adores - Molly is embarrassed by him.

Charlie's life takes a turn for the worse when he meets a mysterious stranger. An inexplicable anger overwhelms him and Charlie assaults the man brutally. No logical explanation can be found. The mystery man is AUGUST SLATTERY with a patchy past. Charlie's encounter triggers a series of apparitions.

A psychiatrist has an opinion - Past Life Recall. The apparitions are déjà vu. The bleeding birthmark - a sign of a traumatic event from the past. It bleeds when memories or feelings evoked by the memories are stronger.

It seems true. Charlie's visions reveal a happy family - DYLAN WALSH's family. Dylan is a ball player with extraordinary talent. He has a seven-year-old adopted sister, HOPE who dreams of being a major league pitcher. Her real father is the deranged August.

Dylan's life helps Charlie discover his purpose. He believes Molly is Hope. Trapped in the boiler room of his high school, Charlie saves Molly from an asthmatic attack as he remembers Dylan save his mother using a relaxed breathing technique. He employs Dylan's skills in baseball to help Molly achieve her dreams. His life changes for the better until...

August enters Charlie's past and present lives again. Driven by his psychotic tendencies, August murders Hope and plans a horrifying end for Molly.

As Charlie hunts down August and tries to save Molly, the memories conquer him hurling Charlie into a vortex of fear. And a shocking answer hides where Dylan's life ends and Charlie's begins.