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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Sure to enhance Tepper's growing reputation, this imaginative novel is set in man's distant future among a number of human cultures inhabiting a distant solar system. On the recently colonized agricultural world of Hobbs Land, the aborigines and their god have died, leaving a few temples and villages. The children of the matriarchal Settlement One, including teenagers Jeopardy Wilm and his cousin and sweetheart, Saturday, begin to act strangely; they restore an old temple and place a new god inside. As quarrelsomeness and strife disappear, clear thinking prevails and worship of the new god spreads to other settlements, the fanatic, patriarchal prophets of Voorstod on the planet Ahabar seek to impose their brutal, slave-owning society on the whole system. For propaganda, they try to lure back from Hobbs Land famous singer Maire Girat, Jeopardy's grandmother, who had fled Voorstod years before. Tepper (Grass) builds strange rich worlds with distinct cultures breathing their own realities; among her many interwoven themes is the relationship between men and women and the societies each dominates.

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From Library Journal

A young man's obsession with the long- forgotten age of heroes and legends threatens to upset the delicate balance of a future world concerned only with peace and stability in the latest novel by the author of *The Gate to Women's Country* and *Grass* (LJ 4/15/89) . Tepper continues to explore the social implications of human progress as her characters struggle with religious conflicts and their own instincts for violence. Recommended.

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From the Back Cover

Hobbs Land was a quiet agricultural colony, a peaceful planet where men and women worked together as equals to provide food for other worlds. Once it had been the home of the alien Owlbrit, who left behind only the temples where their strange gods had lived. But then the gods awoke.

Peace. War. Hate. And love. *Raising the Stones* weaves disparate threads to tell a story that builds to an inescapable climax. And, in a time when so many predict humanity won't survive through the next century, author Sheri S. Tepper gives us an insightful look into what is the best in all of us.

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