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Angel's Oracle
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The year is 1959, but given the racial climate in Angel, Mississippi, it may as well be 1859. Though the cataclysmic changes of the civil rights movement may be on the horizon, the residents of Angel are quite comfortable keeping progress where they feel it best belongs: well outside town lines. Thus, with the stage set for a racial showdown of epic proportions, the well-meaning Virgil Burnett – an alabaster-skinned albino who happens to be one-eighth Black – soon learns a brutal lesson in freedom, loyalty, and good old-fashioned American tribalism. As the tragic events of a fateful Easter weekend unfold, hate takes center stage as the winds of cultural change sweep furiously through a small town in desperate need of spiritual cleansing...

Raw, gritty, and unflinchingly honest, **Angel's Oracle** takes the reader back to a disturbing, not-so-distant time in our nation's past that many would rather forget. With an impressive mix of mystical fantasy and hard core realism, author Gary Bolick evokes thought-provoking introspection as he seamlessly weaves his compelling tale through the recesses of our nation's darkest collective hour. More than just another story about the perils of racism, though, **Angel's Oracle** serves as a morality tale highlighting the spiritual implications of our often thoughtless words and actions, cautioning readers against falling victim to the same cultural and societal trappings that have tainted our national conscience for centuries.

Gripping and eye-opening, **Angel's Oracle** is a powerful reminder of an ominous time we should never forget – lest we relive the horrors of it again. Highly recommended.