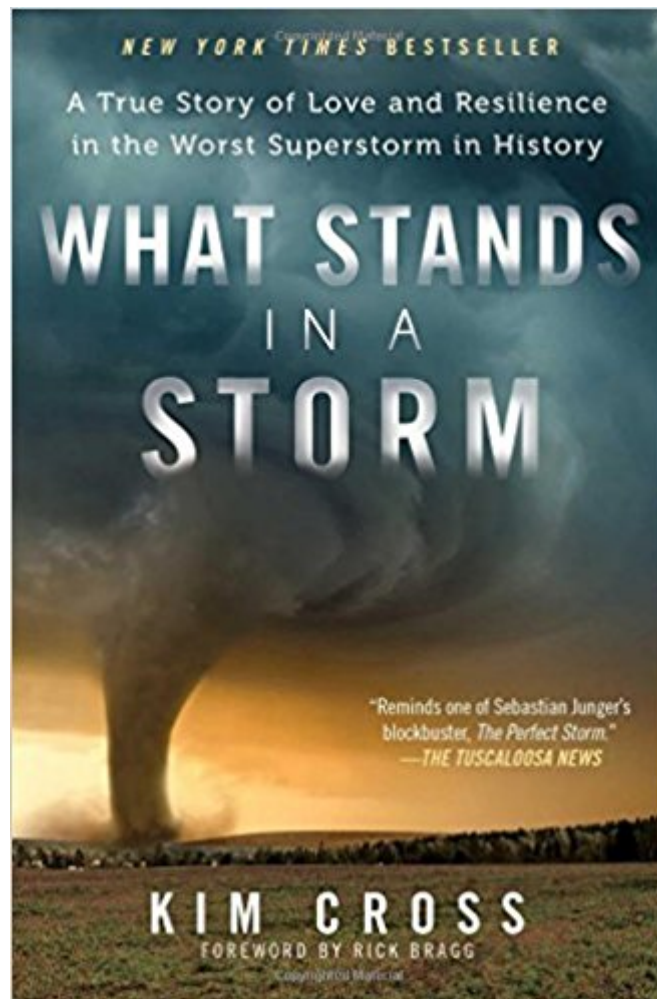


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BEST EVER when our book group happened to be on the 5 year anniversary, and a friend happened to be in Alabama at the house site to check out the recovery of the area, and happened to meet the author there putting flowers by the three trees planted in the students memory AND, the author happened to kindly spend time by 3 way video and gave our book group an update and power point on the families and a good insight into the storms and peoples lives. Kim Cross was darling, insightful, informative, generous with her time and very respectful of her subject matters and especially the people she met writing the book...God moves in mysterious ways...not much is by happen chance.

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