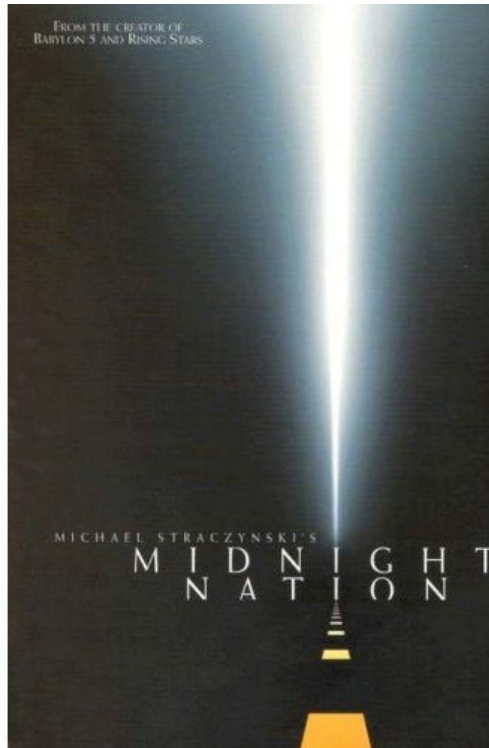


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they wanted to keep the story flowing as one continuous story. On the other hand, it felt like reading a novel with the chapter titles deleted. A brief pause to admire the cover art at each break would have been a little better. Nevertheless, this is a great story, well told, with adult themes, intelligence, and wit. It's a great use of the graphic novel format, and I highly recommend it for fans of the genre. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Wow! What an excellently written story. By Gembrandt I was surfing the internet and came across a site that mentioned Midnight Nation as one of the best graphic novels ever written. I came to and read strong recommendations from other reviewers. I ordered Midnight Nation. I finished it quickly in one sitting. The story is immediately relatable (one can immediately relate to the story?) and the artwork was impressive in a non-distracting way. It is thought provoking, and the main character is, I feel, an excellent placeholder for the reader, allowing the themes in the story to become more important and relevant on a personal level. Even though I'm very late to the game in regards to how long Midnight Nation has been available, I'll confidently say any time is a good time to pick these volumes up and give them a read. If I had a complaint, and this is more of an observation, it would be that often times I felt that the story moved along in a jarring manner. This might be intentional, or I could have been reading through it so rapidly that I made it feel that way, but that did stand out to me.

Writer J. Michael Straczynski's classic tale of loss and redemption is collected in its entirety with all 12 issues, Midnight Nation #1/2, and a cover gallery. Also includes a touching and insightful afterword from Straczynski.