



Sample Discussion Questions

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1. Jenny suffers a great deal of abuse at the hands of her husband. She allows it to continue for fear of losing her son. What role does fear play in the ability to make reasonable choices? What is required in order to successfully navigate around fear, in order to do the best thing for yourself?
2. Failure is a developing theme in the story, with Jenny feeling that she has failed in every way. How has she allowed failure to become part of her identity? In what ways are failures growing experiences? What experiences do you have in dealing with failure?
3. With no other alternative, Jenny accepts a job working at the church. During her stay she maintains a separation from attending services, avoiding anything having to do with God. Is it possible to be surrounded by people of faith, though distancing yourself from God?
4. Have you ever worn a “mask” that makes you appear “all together” to those you encounter? What are the dangers of being inauthentic? How can we practice authenticity in our lives?
5. Jenny asks herself, “How many times has God tried to speak to me over the course of my life? How many opportunities have I been given, how often has He tried to get my attention.” In what ways has God reached out to you? Have you ever sensed a moment when you knew He’d been reaching out to you? What has been your response?