

Bound by Guilt

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1. Who feels bound by guilt in this story and why?
2. Which character was your favorite, and which one did you relate to the most? Why?
3. What is Roxi searching for? How do her needs change throughout the book?
4. Talk about your first impression of Irene. Do you think she genuinely cared for Roxi when she took her in? What motivates her, and do you agree with her motivations?
5. What events in Abby's life have changed her the most? How could she have handled them differently? What events in your own life have deeply affected you, and how has God used them to change you?
6. All the characters respond to the tragedy in chapter 6 in different ways. What do you learn from how they react? Do you wish any of them had responded differently?
7. When Gordon gives Roxi his Bible, he shares with her Psalm 32. What does this passage, especially the line about God forgiving the guilt of our sins, mean to you?
8. Abby needs to forgive several people in her life. Who are they, and what's holding her back from doing so? Whom do you need to forgive, and what has been holding you back?
9. How does Roxi's story parallel Selah's? What are the similarities in their journeys?
10. What book-collecting fact sticks out in your mind as the most surprising? What interesting points did you learn about that can make a book more valuable?
11. Different characters show Roxi the love of God throughout the story. Name them and tell how each one affected her. Who in your life needs the love of God? Can you think of a way to show them God's love with your actions rather than your words?
12. What were your thoughts about Diego throughout the novel? Did they change at all as the story progressed? Does he deserve what happened to him?
13. Should Roxi face any punishment for what she did? What would you most like to see happen to her? Why?



