

## ***Deadly Burden, Green Dory Inn Mystery Book 4, by Janet Sketchley***

### **Discussion Questions**

1. What makes a perfect Christmas feast for you? What are some of your favourite traditions of the season?
2. Is there a particular character in this story you feel a connection with? Or one who troubles you? Who and why?
3. Nigel, Freesia, and Vi seem a bit “odd” at first glance. How does building relationships with people who are different from us help us see past the externals and into their hearts? What gifts do they bring into our lives?
4. Anna’s support for Landon crosses into interfering. How can we show our love for others while respecting their choices?
5. Was there something in the story that particularly touched you? What was it, and why?
6. When Kenzie says Phil doesn’t deserve forgiveness, Landon suggests bitterness hurts us more than it hurts the offender. Is it easy or hard for you to forgive? If you make that choice, do you sometimes have to make it more than once?
7. This story has plenty of unexpected reunions. How do you think they’ll work out? Has there been a significant reunion in your life? Are you still waiting for one, like Landon is with her runaway sister Leyna? How can you pray and prepare in hopes of that day?
8. When Dee’s impulsive retaliation killed her ex, she “had to” cover it up so she wouldn’t lose Starr. What might she have done instead? How would it feel to realize you’d gone too far and could never undo it?
9. Lacey was a prisoner to the fear of what might happen to her. When she witnesses Landon being threatened and is nearly taken hostage, she discovers the strength to act. Surviving the traumatic experience seems liberating for her. What do you think she’ll do going forward?
10. Landon is encouraged to find her identity and value in knowing and believing what God says about her. The more sure we are of God’s loving and unchanging nature, the easier it is to receive these truths. What are some of your favourite things about God? How does knowing Him give you security?

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