

The Choosers

Book Club Questions

- 1) Do you believe in the afterlife?
- 2) This book describes what happens when you die. Do you like the way heaven is depicted?
- 3) How do you feel about the possibility of existing for all of eternity? Would that be an impossible burden? Would having a daily mandate to sleep for 12 hours be a way to break up the monotony?
- 4) Do you believe a life should be taken if it could:
 - a) better the world
 - b) save other people
 - c) meet a governmental objective
 - d) some other compelling reason

If so, who should be empowered to make such a decision? Should it be a group of government officials, a group of mortals on earth, or should it be reserved for a heavenly body such as the The Choosers?

Would you be more inclined to accept this if you knew that all the good people of this earth (dead or alive) would ultimately exist throughout eternity and that all of us would one day be reunited with our loved ones?

- 5) Do you believe in self-determination? Does man control his own destiny? Or do you believe that your fate has already been determined by the Lord? Can our lives somehow be a combination of both? Can we call on our own faith to help us through difficult times and make the positive changes that will positively impact our destiny?
- 6) Has this book made you feel differently about prayer?
- 7) Did you like the character David Masterson? What did you think are his strengths? His weaknesses?

- 8) David thought that there might be multiple worlds, possibly billions. Could there be a world designed for each of us where we live our life to its fullest potential, and where terrible tragedy and misfortune happen to others? Do you think that each of us might be alive and existing on the surface of billions of other worlds? And if there is only this one world that we live in, has this book inspired you to live your life any differently?
- 9) Has this book made you feel differently about why bad things happen to good people?
- 10) After your death do you think you would spend an hour each day viewing loved ones or do you believe you would be invading their privacy?
- 11) Do you think you could have accepted being taken early by “The Choosers” as well as David did, or might you have become one of the afflicted souls? How easy would it be for you to balance your emotions with the logical explanations put forth by The Choosers.
- 12) Including David, which Choosers if any did you like? Which if any did you dislike?
- 13) Besides loved ones, what famous people from the past would you try to have an audience with in heaven? Do you think they should meet with you or would you asking be an invasion of the eternal peace that they seek?
- 14) Everything we do each day changes the future. It changes everyone’s life and it changes the identity of those who will be born in the future. As the book points out changing the past is filled with countless ethical dilemmas. Going deep into the past to change an event can erase souls (both alive and dead) who once existed. What do you think of the following quote?
“No matter how egregious an event might have been, it would be a mistake to go back in time and attempt to rectify it.” If you disagree with this quote would you put a time limit as to how many seconds, minutes, hours, days, months or years an omnipotent power should be allowed to go back in time to “right a wrong?”
- 15) The Masterson Hierarchy postulated that the top of the list of ethical behaviors is to always attempt to “right a wrong.” Do you agree? Is there anything else that you believe is even more important?
- 16) What else about this book did you find intriguing?