

Sing a New Song ~ Discussion Questions

1. Gloria finds a new stage in Branson, Missouri where all she will do is sing...and yet she's not a fan of country music. Do you have a favorite style of music? Or are you an eclectic or depends-on-the-mood listener? Have you ever visited Branson?
2. Once in Branson, Gloria eventually finds herself completely out of her element to the point of living in a rustic cabin and feeding chickens. When was the last time you were outside your comfort zone? How easy was it for you to adjust to your situation?
3. Which character in the book did you relate to the most? Why? Did you have a favorite scene?
4. To start the story, Gloria finds herself in an embarrassing predicament when she trips into a mop bucket and ends up soaked. What is the most embarrassing moment you've had? Gloria attempts to brush it off by pretending to be the girl with the can-do attitude. How did you handle your situation?
5. Gloria was looking forward to a fresh start and a new beginning. But when things didn't go according to plan, she started second guessing her decision...except it was too late. Share a time when you craved a new beginning and why. Did you get it? Did it turn out like you'd hoped?
6. Nick Sherwood had a complicated relationship with his family and all the assorted branches on the family tree. When jealousy intruded in those relationships in the past, he gave up his dreams rather than become someone he didn't like. What about you? Have you ever been jealous of a close friend or family member? Did that damage your relationship or did you find a way to cope?
7. Gloria sought the spotlight...while Nick avoided it. Would you rather be the center of attention or push someone else to center stage? Why? And like Gloria and Nick throughout the pages of the book, what would it take for you to change your tune?
8. Gloria played a noticeable role in the two previous books of the series. If you "met" her then, was her internal change believable? What situations and events broke her down to the point she was ready to give up her old ways?
9. Gloria's relationship with her father was a motivating factor in her decisions and behavior. However, after observing the Sherwood family in action, she began to yearn for something more and a different kind of home. How much does a relationship with an earthly father impact or impede a faith relationship with God? If you knew that God was in the Audience, would that change how you "perform" in your daily life?