

Home For Christmas ~ Discussion Questions

1. Tyler Sherwood came from a famous family who sang country and gospel music for a living...and yet he wanted to pursue a different path including singing on a televised competition show. Do you have a favorite style of music? Or are you an eclectic or depends-on-the-mood listener?
2. The book opens in Las Vegas before moving back to the areas around Branson, Missouri. Have you ever visited either place? On the surface they seem very different, but how are both locations the same?
3. Which character in the book did you relate to the most? Why? Did you have a favorite scene?
4. At the beginning of the story, Grace is being pushed outside her comfort zone by her father. Has someone ever encouraged you to follow your dreams? Has it taken “tough love” to get you to take the next necessary step? Or was someone holding you back instead?
5. Tyler once sought the spotlight at all costs...while Grace avoided it with equal dedication. Would you rather be the center of attention or push someone else to center stage? Why? And like Tyler and Grace throughout the pages of the book, what would it take for you to change your tune?
6. Being famous is a difficult position to navigate. In the past, Tyler believed his worth came from what others said about him...to the point where he lost sight of truth and hurt others. Meanwhile, Grace focused on the negatives so much she refused to consider the alternative. Is fame a good thing or a bad thing? What would it take to maintain a healthy identity while living in the public eye?
7. In the crafting of the guitar, Tyler slowly comes back to his roots in both music and faith. Did you find the true history of the guitar on the wall of the shop inspiring? Have you ever needed a forced vacation or slow-down to realign your priorities? Have you ever had a mentor take the time to pour into your life like Grace’s dad did for Tyler?
8. Both Tyler and Grace’s twin sister Mercy embodied the idea of a prodigal coming home. While both families were welcoming, it was still a difficult journey to swallow one’s pride and return home to face their fathers. 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?