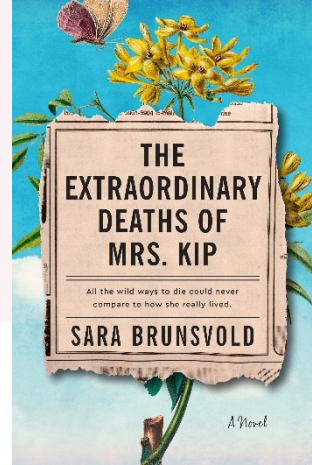




PARTICIPANT GUIDE

THE EXTRAORDINARY DEATHS OF MRS. KIP BY SARA BRUNSVOLD



"You said the mark of authentic love is dying a thousand deaths to self. I get now what you meant by that because I watched you live it out."

AIDYN KELLEY



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



1

Q. Who was your favourite character from 'The Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip'? Why?

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Q. "I want an extraordinary death", Mrs. Kip declares. What did you enjoy most about this unusual storyline? Could you relate to Mrs. Kip's desires?

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Q. Mrs. Kip is a 'fixer'; a person who sees a problem and feels compelled to solve it. How does it make you feel when you can't fix something?

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Q. Aidyn struggles with pride and selfishness, which seems to be exacerbated by her career ambitions. How does Mrs. Kip help her to grow?

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Q. How does Mrs. Kip's understanding of God change throughout the story?

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Q. Mrs. Kip loves to learn about people and their stories. As she observes Charles, she sees "clues of unspoken stories. Stories she might earn the right to hear". Why is it so important that we take the time to hear people's stories?

7

Q. Aidyn quickly disregards Mrs. Kip as an uninteresting but necessary solution to her work problems. When she discovers that Mrs. Kip played a role in helping to rescue Mai's children from Lao during the civil unrest, she realises her mistake. Discuss.

8

Q. "In her years... she had learned that where there is pain, there is a calling. A duty. And a great and wonderful commission". Can you share a time when your pain has been the tool used to share the gospel with someone?

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Q. Elvis Presley's "As Long As I Have You" was Clara and Johnny's song. Do you and your husband have a song?

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Q. Who is your Mrs. Kip?



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