

PARTICIPANT GUIDE

WHEN THE DAY COMES **BY GABRIELLE MEYER**

"We were walking on the path God had ordained, standing in the centre of His perfect will, and I never wanted to be anywhere else."

ANNE ELIZABETH





DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

 ${f l}.$ Which character from 'When The Day Comes' did you relate to the most?

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 \mathbb{Q} . "I lived two lives simultaneously – one in 1774 and one in 1914" (p11). Which timeline did you most enjoy? Why?

Q. Libby says, "My mamma had told me life was a gift. But at the age of nineteen, I had yet to see how this life I was living... could be anything but a burden" (p7). Can you relate to Libby's feelings?



Q. On page 32, Abigail says, "What woman has the right to choose her own fate?". We're blessed to live in the twenty-first century, where the equality gap between men and women has significantly shrunk, and women are encouraged to pursue their ambitions. What changes are you most grateful for?



Q. "My life in 1914 was so different from my life in 1774... though some might imagine the life I led was delightful, I longed for a purpose like I had in Williamsburg." (p24). Why is a life of purpose always more fulfilling than wealth?



Q. "The stark contrast between Abigail Wells and Theodosia Conant, my marked mother, had been jarring as a child. Where one was warm, loving and understanding, the other was cold, distant and impenetrable" (p27). What was your mother like?

Q. Libby's newspaper motto was, "Open to ALL PARTIES, but Influenced by None." (p38). Is this truly possible? Discuss.



Q. A beautiful pro-life message flows throughout the book, and Elizabeth refers to her pregnancy – a result of Lord Cumberland's abuse against her - as "Beauty from ashes". Can you share an experience where God has transformed suffering or hardship into something beautiful?



Q. Historical fiction, biographies and storytelling profoundly impact the soul, often in a way that textbooks and facts cannot. Was there a moment for you in the book where history came alive? How did this change your perspective of war or challenge your attitudes towards circumstances you may be facing today?



Q. A powerful theme in the novel is the Sovereignty of God. How has reading this book shaped your thoughts and feelings toward God's sovereign plan for your life?

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