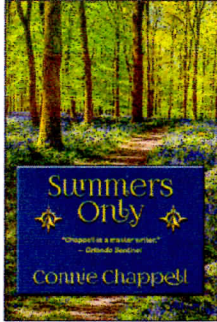


Discussion Questions



About the Book

Book Title: *Summers Only*

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1. What are your general impressions of *Summers Only*?
2. Discuss Terri Miller's experiences while on the road, in alleys and parks.
3. Seth Nugent's introduction to homelessness is unique. What are examples of his personal growth and sensitivity?
4. Discuss Clem Degenhart's analysis of Iris's mindset during her sixteenth summer (Chapter 15, Walking Boots).
5. Terri Miller's involvement with the Strand family builds on many levels. What were the ups and downs experienced between Terri, Yates, Arthur, and Naomi?
6. Terri Miller and Father Reese discuss her search for redemption, given her past. Do you have a story to share regarding addiction and/or abandonment?
7. Do you see Frank Cordell as a guiding influence with the women in his life? Describe his leadership, good or bad. Was his insight beneficial to Terri, his ex-wife Bobbi, and daughter Iris?
8. How did Iris Cordell achieve the combo career she always sought involving her mother and father?
9. Eddie Gaven makes a strong appearance in the closing chapters. Discuss his approach to gathering information in order to write his clients' epilogues. Discuss Terri's twist on his approach.
10. Has this book changed your opinion of homelessness and how society attempts to provide relief and assistance? What are the homeless issues in your community?