

## WHEN THE LION ROARS

### Discussion Questions

1. How do you feel about those from foreign countries entering your neighborhood?
2. Have you ever gone hungry, couldn't afford medical care, or persecuted for your faith? What brought you through that experience?
3. How does the Bible address slavery?
4. How do you feel about slavery in today's world?
5. When does the Bible say it is correct to not follow the mandates of a government?
6. Do you feel wealth is a sin? The Bible states that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than rich man to enter heaven. Does this mean that the wealthy are destined to live apart from God?
7. If the Apostle Paul were living today, what do you think he would recommend about the situation in Sudan?
8. Who did you feel was responsible for Rachel's abduction? Why?
9. Do you ever feel war is justified? Under what circumstances?
10. What does the Bible say about selecting friends?
11. When Nyok fought the lion, a miraculous experience occurred. He gave the credit to God. How do you explain it? Why?
12. Think about Nyok's experience when enemy soldiers killed his family. What would you say to him regarding hope?
13. The Sudanese refused to renounce their faith for Islam as mandated by their country's government. Is your faith this strong? Are you willing to die for Jesus Christ?
14. The SPLA is Sudan People's Liberation Army, the rebel movement fighting for the rights of the southern Sudanese. For Ben, Larson, Paul, and Nyok, the rebel army represented different principles according to their personal beliefs. What do you think God would say about the SPLA? How does John 3:16 reflect upon your answer?
15. Paul had a driving need to find Abraham. Why do you think it was important?

16 Paul denied his earthly heritage and claimed his new birth in Christ. What about the crimes he'd committed against people in the name of Allah? Must Paul spend the rest of his life doing good works and risking his life in order to prove his love for Christ?

17 When Hank died, Paul blamed himself. In looking at Paul's past, that is understandable. What does God say about the past?

18 Ben worked with Arab slave traders in an effort to recover Rachel. He found it difficult to pray for his sister's safe return. Why do you think he couldn't bring himself to ask for God's help?

19 Paul stopped at Kakuma, Kenya to view the refugee camp for so many displaced Africans. God has specific things for us to do in regards to the poor and needy. What are they?

20 How do you think education plays a large part in third-world countries?

21 Ben had strong feelings for Larson. Considering their spirituality and temperaments, do you think a marriage between the two would have worked for good?

22 Why do you think Larson allowed the past to comfort her at times and condemn her at others?

23 Pastor Malou said to Paul. "He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." What was the Pastor referring to?

24 While in Khartoum, Paul and Ben shared danger. The issue separating the two was trust. What does God say about trusting man? What does God say about trusting Him?

25 What do you think was the biggest reason why Paul didn't want Larson to know the truth about him?

26 The bombing at the Red Cross Center led to Nyok joining the SPLA. Did this particular incident move the boy to take up arms? Or something else?

27 Larson blamed God for the suffering Sudanese. Who do you blame?

28. Paul offered himself as a sacrifice when it looked as though Ben would be hurt. What was Ben's reason for saving the man's life? What does the Bible say about this matter?