

SHATTERED DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) When Reef is accused of murder, Piper automatically jumps to his defense. What do you think you would do in that situation, given the circumstances?
- 2) Landon turns to the wrong places for comfort when he's hurting. What are some better places or methods for relieving pain and despair? Where do you turn for comfort in times of hurt and hardship?
- 3) Gage finds solace in his morning kayaking trips. What do you like to do to relax and/or to stay in shape?
- 4) Landon says that he can't commit his life to Christ on blind faith. Just like in his profession, he needs hard evidence to believe. How do you feel about his stance? Do you feel God answers Landon's questions and displays the evidence Landon needs to believe? Is it in the way Landon expected? Or do you think God simply brings Landon to a place where he is ready to take a leap of faith?
- 5) Landon's view of Karli's father helps him see that, with Christ, people can change. Has your view of someone ever changed over time? Was it for the better or for the worse?
- 6) Piper is slipped something at the party. Date rape is a frightening reality today. What precautions can young women, and all women, take to prevent becoming a victim? Why is this an important topic to discuss, especially with young women today?
- 7) Karli grew up believing she was someone she wasn't. What kind of toll do you think that took on her life? How might her life have been different if her mother had lived?
- 8) Gage isn't fond of heights. Do you have any similar fears—heights, enclosed spaces, spiders? If so, how do you deal with them, or how have you overcome them?
- 9) Piper had to face the aftermath of the avalanche alone while Landon was unconscious. Have you ever had to face something traumatic on your own? How did you manage?
- 10) The McKennas all have interesting middle names based on literary characters that their mother loved. Are there any special names in your family? Does your name have special meaning? Are you named after someone you love?
- 11) Landon and Piper see how differently Christmas is celebrated in California than in Alaska and British Columbia. How do you celebrate Christmas? Are you in a warm or cold climate? Does your climate affect any of your traditions?
- 12) Most of the McKenna's meals during winter consist of hearty soups and stews, followed by warm drinks (cocoa, hot cider, etc.) around the fire. Do you have any special winter meals you like to prepare?

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