

Book Club Questions

Loyal To You by Sarah Kades

- 1. Though uncomfortable with the thought of having to use it, Maggie is well skilled in hand-to-hand combat. She has spent years training with above average instructors. What internal tension generated that drive? Has there been a time you chose to learn a new skill that was driven by necessity? What was it? How did it change your life?
- 2. Stone adamantly considered himself a bastard. What external messaging did he internalize, and from whom? How did that play out in his life and the choices he made? Has there been a time in your life you realized you had internalized messages others thought or said about you? What happened? Would you do things differently? How?
- 3. Gabe struggled with his past choices to keep quiet. Has there been a time in your life you were not sure what was the best path to take? Did you wait? If so, did you reach a point of no return, where too much time had lapsed to change course? What would have helped you with your decision?
- 4. Savannah's loyalties to Gabe and Maggie were at times in conflict. Has there been a time in your life where you felt compelled to choose between two (or more) people you care about? What happened? What advice would you give another experiencing a similar conflict? What would have helped you?
- 5. Maggie didn't realize the distance that had crept between her and her twin brother, Sebastian. She was surprised he hadn't shared meaningful life events with her. Has that ever happened to you? What happened? Were you able to strengthen your relationship again? If so, how? What advice would you give someone wanting to reconnect with another?
- 6. Stone is uneasy with his mom's past choices. Is there someone you love that has made choices that you don't agree with? What happened? How did you find common ground? Was forgiveness required? What was the biggest realization you came to?
- 7. Maggie and Stone dance around their attraction. Has there ever been someone in your life like that? What did they bring out in you? What did you bring out in them? Did you have a relationship with them? Do you still? Do you miss them? If you had anything to do over again, what would it be?



- 8. Maggie put off a trip to France in general, and Paris specifically, for years. Is there ever a "right time" for a trip of a lifetime? If so, when? If not, why not? Is there a trip you've dreamed about but never took? Why not?
- 9. Stone and Gabe have a combative relationship. The actions and choices of others put them in positions not of their making, but that they had to respond to. Is there anyone in your life like that? Do you wish it was different? What would have to change to make a positive relationship able to work? Explain.
- 10. Maggie catches herself in the midst of having an exquisite moment with her new 'found family' on Christmas Day. Has there been a time in your life you caught yourself in a moment? Was it good or bad? Who was there? What made it memorable? Explain.
- 11. Sebastian felt Phoebe's actions betrayed him deeply. Has there been a time in your life you were betrayed by someone you loved? What happened? Did time give you more perspective? Explain.
- 12. Phoebe fell in love with Sebastian under challenging circumstances. Do you feel love conquers all? Has there been a time in your life love blossomed unexpectedly? What happened? Did you nurture it, or not? Explain.
- 13. Stone's mom shared incredibly personal histories with her son. Has there been a time in your life you feel you would have benefitted from uncomfortable, but important conversations? Has there been a time in your life where you found out misunderstandings had snowballed and caused significant damage? What happened?
- 14. The book's title, *Good Kind of Gone*, is a homage to not only falling in love, it's the recognition of the courage it takes to act on feelings that will completely upend your life —hopefully in the best possible ways, but with no guarantees. Has there been a time you've felt passionately about something and took the risk? What happened? Was it worth it? Would you do it again? Did you learn something about yourself? If so, what? Explain.