



# A GUIDE TO GOOD WILL HUNTING

*"Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will." (Rom. 12:2)*

*"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." (Psalm 34:18)*

## Characters

- Will Hunting
- Chuckie Sullivan
- Dr. Sean Maguire
- Prof. Gerald Lambeau
- Skylar

## Themes to pay attention to:

- *Potential* - What is the tension between natural talent and the barriers that stop Will from realizing his full potential?
- *Choice/Free Will* - Does Will have the power to choose a different path? or stay in his comfort zone? How does a person find meaning and direction?
- *Friendship* - What is true friendship? Where do you see people putting others before themselves?
- *Transformational Love* - How does offering genuine love and empathy lead to healing and personal growth in someone who is suffering?

## Guided Questions

Will is stuck in old patterns—anger, fear, self-sabotage—but begins a journey of renewal through therapy, friendship, and love. How do the people in his life encourage him to grow and find direction for his life?

Love from God isn't meant to leave people the same—it calls them to transformation, repentance, and purpose. How do the characters in the movie experience this?

Sean tells Will about his own past and then gently repeats the words "It's not your fault" to Will, over and over, until Will finally breaks down in sobs. Why is this so meaningful to Will? What is his response after letting go emotionally, and allowing himself to feel the pain he's been hiding?

Who in your life gives you the freedom to break down, to be real? Are we offering that space to others? Could you offer that space to another person?

Sean acts as a reflection of God's compassion: Sean draws close to Will with presence and love—mirroring how God meets people in their most broken places.