

"Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?" (Jer. 8:22)

"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son." (Matt. 22:1)

Characters

- Percy Talbot
- Hannah Furguson
- Shelby Goddard
- Nahum Goddard
- Joe Sperling
- Sheriff Gary Walsh
- Johnny B.

Themes to pay attention to:

- Forgiveness Is there a limit to human forgiveness?
- Grace/Redemption Is there a limit to God's forgiveness?
- Life What does it mean to say that ALL life is precious?

Guided Questions

Are some wounds so deep that the healing hurts worse than the wound? Percy asks this as she rubs salve onto Hannah's injured leg. Do you agree?

Jeremiah asked this famous rhetorical question from Jer. 8:22. "Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Does Hannah know the answer to the question?

Who is the Christ-figure in this movie? Is there someone that brings healing? Who challenges the status quo? That invites people to be their best selves? Who brings change in the community just by being love?

What do you think of the outdoor dinner in the last scene? What signs of hope do you see? Compare the welcome Clare and her child receive to the welcome Percy received? How is this dinner similar to Jesus image of the realm of God as a banquet in Luke 13:29?

What have you learned about grace and love from this film? What have you learned about healing?