## Reading Group Guide

## Spoiler alert!

Don't read before completing the novel.

- 1. When this story opens, Brielle is feeling Jake's absence intensely. Have you lost someone you care about? How did you cope?
- 2. Brielle's dad is learning to believe in the invisible. The Bible says, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Hebrews 11:1) Does faith come easy for you?
- 3. Canaan gives Brielle a task; he asks her to wait by the chest for instructions. Brielle would rather do something to help. She'd rather fight. Do you have a hard time waiting on God when hard things happen?
- 4. Marco sees revenge as the only way to make amends for his part in Ali's death. What are your thoughts on vengeance?
- 5. Olivia's life is a tragic one and she's involved in some horrible crimes, but in the end we see her redeemed. What does redemption mean and what does it look like to you?
- 6. In Danakil, the Prince lays out a compelling case for Brielle. He wraps his lies in truth. Have you ever had trouble deciphering good from evil?

- 7. The dark halo is appealing to Brielle because she thinks it will make life easier on her. Do you think life is supposed to be easy? When things get hard, what do you do?
- 8. With the engagement ring gone, Brielle feels like she and Jake have lost "heaven's blessing" on their relationship.
- Have you ever felt that way?

  9. Brielle and Kaylee have a heart-to-heart on Main Street about love and marriage. Do you have a friend you can talk to about these things? Are you a good listener when
- 10. Olivia tells Jake she likes "blaming" other people. Are you like Olivia? Do you feel the need to assign blame for wrongs done?

others need to talk?

- 11. Brielle is easily rattled by the fear she sees around her. With the constant onslaught of tragedy and evil we see reported daily, it's no wonder many of us can relate. How do the things you see and hear throughout the day affect you?
- 12. Human trafficking is a term that includes a number of crimes. These crimes happen close to home and across the planet, but a lot of good things are happening in the fight against trafficking. How can you get involved?