

## **Stirring Up Strife Discussion Questions**

1. Cooper decides to return to church after a long absence. Have you recently returned to an organization to which you once belonged or joined a new group? What did it feel like?
2. At thirty-two years of age, Cooper is living *very* close to her parents and grandmother. Discuss the pros and cons of her situation.
3. What did you think happened to Jed Weeks? Did you surmise that he might be having an affair? Were you sympathetic to his wife Eliza's situation?
4. Ashley and Cooper are siblings, but they are very different. What motivates each of them? Do you have a sibling that is quite dissimilar? Does that help or hinder your relationship?
5. Which member of the Sunrise Bible Study group do you most identify with?
6. Cooper's grandmother is a complex character. Give an example of when she seems tough-as-nails and an instance in which she displays a more tender side.
7. There seems to be potential for several couples to become romantic in the future. Which two people do you feel would make up a great couple?
8. Several characters prove to be dishonest in *Stirring Up Strife*. Which act of dishonesty bothered you the most?
9. Did any of the bible study discussion topics trigger a reaction in you? If so, which one?
10. In what ways has Cooper changed since she first stepped foot into Hope Street Church?