

Discussion Questions for **Preacher on the Run**

1. Did you know about the Regulator movement before reading this book? How do you think it relates to life today?
2. Robert Boothe is a family man with a deep love for his wife and daughter. What did you think of his relationship with his family? How might his story look different if he were unmarried?
3. What role did religious freedom play in the years leading up to the American Revolution? Why do you think Robert put such emphasis on God's authority?
4. Magdalen Boothe supports her husband in many ways, such as caring for his church members and acting on his behalf when he is not able to meet with his men. What are some other ways colonial wives might have joined their husbands' cause?
5. After he's jailed for obeying his conscience, Robert finds a chance to escape so he can keep his promise to be at a Regulator meeting. Do you think he was justified in doing this, or should he have stayed in jail?
6. Mitchell Boothe prays for someone to help bear the burden of circuit riding, only to meet Hank Jonas. Have you ever had a prayer answered in an unexpected way? What are some "blessings in disguise" that you have experienced?
7. Could Governor Tryon have handled the situation at Alamance differently than he did? Could the Regulators have responded differently?
8. What were Charles Drake's motivations in opposing the Regulators? Do you think he and Malcolm Harrod believed they were doing the right thing?
9. Robert Boothe often tells Jacob Chauncy that "the truth will hold its own." What does he mean by this? Is this true even when wrong seems to prevail?
10. Alec Perry rejects "organized religion" because of the hypocrisy he saw in his parents and neighbors when he was young. Have you or someone you know struggled to accept truth because of how it was twisted or misrepresented?
11. What do you think are the main themes of the story? How well do you think those themes are explored or displayed?
12. Who is your favorite character in *Preacher on the Run*? Why?

