

Summer Reading Questions for *Left to Tell*

Below are the questions you should be able to discuss for the Socratic seminar. Remember, you can explore other topics as well during the discussion.

1. Why was she hearing the voice of the Devil in her head? Was it really the Devil? What other possible explanations are there? Does it matter?
2. How did Immaculee's faith help her survive the genocide? How would it have been different if she didn't praise God?
3. Before reading part 3, what can we foresee about what may happen to Immaculee? What challenges will she face once she is out of the bathroom? How do you predict she will respond?
4. Discuss all of the different types of horrors Immaculee and the other women faced while in the bathroom. Of all of these, which was the worst? Why?
5. Discuss the actions of the killers. If someone is being obedient to the government by killing Tutsis, is his obedience moral? In other words, to what degree are the killers innocent or guilty of crimes? Is it all one sided?
6. How is Immaculee able to change her feelings about the killers? What larger lessons can we learn about peace through Immaculee's experience?

This is your chance to be the teacher and explore what makes you curious. You must answer your assigned questions, but those are just starting points. Take the conversation in whatever direction that helps you, just be sure to include everyone in the dialogue. Take risks! Ask questions! Have fun!