



Book Discussion Group

Here are some questions to help get you started with your discussion.

The Magician's Nephew Chapter 11:

- ❖ Why do you think that neither Uncle Andrew nor the animals can understand what the other is saying?
- ❖ What do you think of the animal's discussion of what to do with Andrew? Are their reactions ones you can relate to? What reactions can you not relate to?
- ❖ Aslan is described as "more beautiful" and "more terrible" up close than Digory thought before. When we come closer to God in divine encounters, does God appear different to us? In what ways do we find God beautiful? In what way do we find God terrible, and what do we mean by that word?
- ❖ Digory doesn't get the response from his question that he expected of Aslan. In what ways have we, at times, received a different response than what we expected from God?
- ❖ Aslan uses silence to help lead Digory on in their conversation. Discuss the connection with Aslan's use of silence and Elijah's encounter with God on Mt. Horeb in 1 Kings 19:9-18.
- ❖ Again, Aslan uses silence to help lead Digory on in their conversation. How have we experienced God's silence leading us to find certain answers?





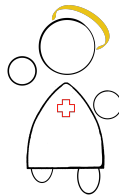
- ❖ How is Aslan's use of silence, waiting for Digory to tell his whole story, similar to God's patience for and with us?
- ❖ Why is it that Digory needs to take full responsibility for releasing Jadis? What are things in our lives that we need to take full responsibility for?
- ❖ Aslan says he will see to it that the worst of the evil falls upon Himself. How is this similar to what Jesus did on the Cross? (You can talk about this solely in the context of *The Magician's Nephew* or in the further context of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*.)
- ❖ Aslan says that just as "Adam's race" helped bring evil into Narnia, they will help to "heal" the wound. How is this similar to or different than Exodus 34:6-7? How do we see future or current generations working to make up for the mistakes of past generations?
- ❖ How does Adam's race helping to heal the wound of evil in Narnia help us understand repentance and reconciliation?
- ❖ The Cabby has some recognition of Aslan, even though he says he does not know Aslan. What are ways that we don't always immediately recognize God when we encounter the Divine?
- ❖ Aslan brings the Cabby's wife immediately from their world to Narnia. Is this a greater or lesser power than creating the entire world?
- ❖ If Aslan can bring the Cabby's wife into Narnia, why doesn't He remove Jadis?





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- ❖ Are there any worship services in the church that Aslan's question and answer conversation with the Cabby reminds you of? Why or why not?
- ❖ Polly is only asked if she forgives Digory. Why is this the only thing Aslan feels it is important to ask her?
- ❖ How might Aslan asking Polly if she forgives Digory be related to what Jesus says in Matthew 18: 21-35?



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