

# Submerged by Dani Pettrey

## Discussion Questions

1. Bailey is afraid to return to Yancey. Why? Have you ever been afraid to face a person or group of people? If so, how did you overcome that fear?
2. Bailey was concerned that everyone in Yancey would view her as she used to be years ago. Have you ever made mistakes in your past that you regretted and struggled to let go of past mistakes, past choices? What does the Bible say about our past when we come to Jesus in faith?
3. Cole's heart aches when some of his colleagues joke about Bailey upon her return to Yancey. Has anyone made fun of you or someone dear to you? If so, how did you react? What do you think about Cole's reaction?
4. As a dive rescue captain, Cole McKenna makes more body recoveries than live rescues. How does Cole deal with the discouragement? How would you? What other professions might prove equally as trying?
5. Bailey is a professor of Russian History. Is there a particular country or time period that fascinates you? Prior to reading Submerged, were you aware of Alaska's Russian history? Did anything surprise you?
6. Bailey inherited her love of Russian history from her aunt. Have you inherited or developed a hobby or interest from someone you love or know well? If so, what is it, and who shared it with you? How is it meaningful to you?
7. God uses this difficult period in Bailey's life to help her grow and heal. How has God worked in trying circumstances in your life?
8. Cole reaches a point where he feels utterly helpless. Have you ever felt that way? Where does Cole turn for help? Why?