

Discussion on Mary Chosen of God by Diana Wallis Taylor

Overall how did you like the book?

Did you feel in general it was believable?

There were several things Taylor filled in.... what are your thoughts around these:

Mary's and Joseph's parents

The reason why she went to see Elizabeth and her coming back pregnant

The innkeeper who helped Mary with her birth

Did you know that Jesus had 4 brothers? James, Joseph, Judas and Simon, while the sisters were not named in the bible.) Sisters she placed in story

Joseph's death and Jesus at 16...

Thoughts about the first miracle of water into wine? that James was overseeing the wedding and how Jesus asked "are you enjoying yourself, Ima?" She was forgiven.

Did you ever wonder why did Jesus start his ministry at 30? "Even a rabbi is not considered ready to teach until is he at least thirty" (today it is 23 years of age)

Mary being with the disciples at the last supper and at his appearance in the upper room after the resurrection?

What did you think about Mary feeling God's presence along the way and "talking to her"? Page 227 God says trust me...do we trust God?

What did you think about Mary being mum about who Jesus was to her other children?

Thoughts about how the sons and daughters reacted to his ministry? How would you react if your sibling was the Messiah?

What are your thoughts about the lessons we learned about the Jewish holidays? Were you familiar with them?

Mary Magdalene not portrayed as a prostitute...is this the first time you heard this?

What did you think about Jesus asking John to behold this is your mother and how that played out with her family? (John 19:26)

Were your thoughts about Mary changed in any way from reading this book?

On a scale of 1-5, 5 being the best how would you rate this book?