

Date: Thursday, November 19, 1998

Book Title: Deadline by Randy Alcorn

Hostess: Nancy Dausman

Food served: flavored hot chocolate with whipped cream, heavenly ham pop-ups, slices of forbidden fruit (apples) with caramel dip, angels' delight for dessert.

Book Synopsis:

Newspaper journalist Jake Woods loses his two best friends in an auto accident. Jake has to come to terms with his own mortality while dealing with his perspectives on life, family, morality, and religion.

Review:

The book as a whole was given unfavorable reviews by all present. However, lots of issues addressed in the book resulted in lively discussions about spirituality, the idea of heaven, abortion and its impact on men, organ donations and harvesting, and diversity of "select" groups.

Highlights of Discussion:

Most of us didn't like the book because it was too preachy. The author tried to cover too much. He needed to limit his scope.

Attendance: Nancy Schellenberg, Anne Hill, Sally Shumway, Ann Starkey, Nancy McQuate, Ginny Stuart, Nancy Dausman

Suggestions/Business

A wide variety of children's books were brought to Book Group to be donated to a local charity for Christmas gifts. Nancy S. took them Kentwood for distribution.