

Discussion Questions

1. What were your initial thoughts and feelings while watching "12 Years a Slave"?
2. In regards to reconciliation and healing, what steps can society take to acknowledge the legacy of slavery and work towards reconciliation and healing? Are there real-world examples of restorative justice that parallel this journey?
3. In regards to moral choices, analyze the moral choices made by various characters in the film. Are there moments where individuals demonstrate empathy or a lack thereof? What drives their decisions?
4. "12 Years a Slave" serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of treating all individuals with dignity, respect, and equality. After watching such a film, what steps can we take as individuals to positively impact how you treat people and contribute to a more just and inclusive society?