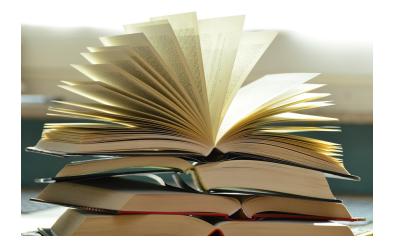
-Reflection Questions-



Interrupted, by Jen Hatmaker

- 1. Jen challenges us to move out of our comfort zone to help the poor. Especially as Americans this can be really tricky when we don't see poverty up close. Does your life bring you into proximity of those in need? What is one baby step you can take this month to get more proximate to the needy, or a what step can you take toward meeting a need you see?
- 2. If you are part of a faith community, where does it land on the continuum of attractional to missional? What does this mean to you? Do you want to see this change? Can you speak into your community to encourage change?
- 3. When Jesus tells us just how personal (if you did it to the least of these you did it *to me*) and imperative (eternal judgement) it is for us to care for the vulnerable in Matthew 25, do you think of it as a metaphor, a literal command, or both? How are you living into that massive challenge?
- 4. If you were starting a faith community from scratch, what would you want it to look like, and why? Make a priority wish list for your beloved community.
- 5. In the midst of a spiritually dry season, Jen prays a courageous prayer: "God, raise up in me a holy passion". Do you dare to pray this way?
- 6. Leaving the comfort of our church and engaging with people other than us can be painfully awkward. How do you handle this dilemma?
- 7. Jen makes the case that the Church is stuck in a modernist worldview, which tends to "understand Christianity through factual research" logic, apologetics and personal decisions. She argues that this mindset does not speak to the average postmodern person, who tend to distrust authority, see paradox in everything, and believe there is no such thing as absolute truth. Jen says she has one foot in each of these worlds. Where do you land on this continuum?