

Parental Guide

Freeing Tanner Rose

Spoiler alert! Some details of the story are revealed!

Themes: includes fame, temptation, addiction, drug use, grief, loss, fame, premarital chastity, dating, modesty, power of prayer, strength in faith.

Educational Value: You can find discussion questions for this novel at the author's website: <https://tmgaouette.com/books/>

Positive Messages: Tanner is a Hollywood starlet who has become addicted to the limelight and the vices that come with it. Meeting Gabriel, a Christian teen who is devoted to God, she learns to find strength in God. Modesty and chastity are encouraged.

Spiritual Messages: Temptation is around us, and we need God to help us overcome it.

Positive Role Models: Gabriel is the main character who is strongly devoted to the Lord. He has no problem with living the faith and defends it without shame. However, he does struggle personally with living in the world, and at one point makes a mistake that he regrets. However, he reminds readers that God is bigger than all man's failures and He is ready to forgive us for our sins, as long as we are sorry and repent. Gabriel's friends share his faith and the group reminds readers that having friends who are godly are necessary in remaining faithful to His will.

Violence/Gore: None

Sexuality: Tanner is from Hollywood and when she is first introduced, she is immodest in her dress and attitude. You see this also in scenes with her Hollywood friends. There are no graphic descriptions and modesty is promoted throughout.

Language: None

Drinking, Drugs & Smoking: Tanner and her Hollywood peers are tempted by vices, such as smoking, drinking, and taking drugs. While they are described as doing so, there is nothing graphic in the descriptions and the story in clear that these are vices. Gabriel does accidentally get drunk at one point, but is regretful as it happens and he later explains that it was a sinful act.

WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

This story is a prime example of the battle between good and bad in a world full of temptation. While we see both Tanner and Gabriel struggle in their temptations, the former more than the latter, we also see good prevail and Gabriel's influence on Tanner guides her away from her worldly aspirations and toward a desire to follow God's will for her.

Rating Scale: Moderate

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