



GOD IN FILM

STUDY GUIDES



Producer



Director



Reviewer

WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING

“Sometimes, for prey to live, its predator must die.”

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Film Synopsis

During the 1950s in the waters between North Carolina's barrier islands and the mainland, we are introduced to Catherine "Kya" Clark (Daisy Edgar-Jones) and her family. They live a reclusive life in the marshlands. Her father is an abusive man who eventually runs off his wife and most of the children. The youngest of the siblings remains behind despite the erratic nature of her Pa (Garret Dillahunt), until he eventually abandons his daughter. As she tries to survive alone in the family cabin, hoping for her mother's return, Kya becomes resourceful and manages to make her way in the secluded waterways.

As she matures into adulthood, she gets the reputation as the Marsh Girl. As the reclusive young woman sells muscles to the local grocer, Kya becomes the fascination of two local boys. Tate Walker (Taylor John Smith) does all he can to help her to learn how to read and get exposure to her artistic talents. When Chase Andrews (Harris Dickinson), who was the local sporting star from a prominent family, starts to come around, Kya is torn between two potential lovers. Then when Chase is found dead in the marsh, things turn against her as she is suspected of murder. The isolated artist is pulled out of her water-bound world to fight for her survival in the local courtroom.



Discussion points

Did you enjoy the movie? What did you like about the story?

Have you read the book? How did it compare to the movie?

Could you relate with the Kya character in anyway? Was there another character that you connected with in the story? Why?

Did faith have any influence on this storyline? Why?



Close the Curtain

How can hardship make us better in life?

Blessed is the person who remains steadfast under trial, for when they have stood the test they will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love them. - James 1:12

Can you define the difference between justice and revenge? How does forgiveness play into this aspect of life?

Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." - Romans 12:19