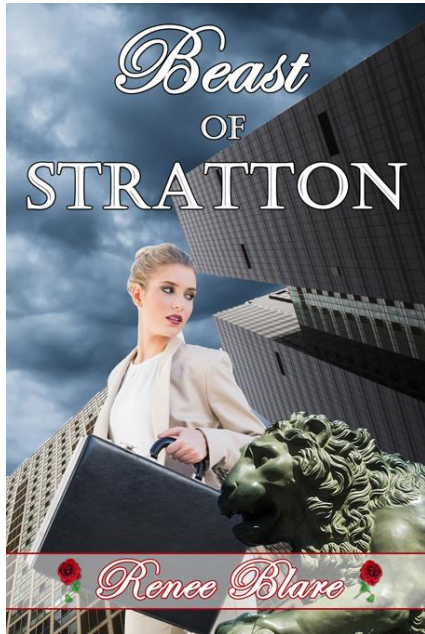


## Discussion Questions

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### **BEAST OF STRATTON**

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### **About the Book**

He appears the beast, but she sees his heart...

Architect Aimee Hart, determined to locate her father, infiltrates Miles Stratton's engineering firm as a secretary. Her presence wrenches the shaggy, wounded man from his penthouse, and the quest begins.

Betrayed by his best friend, Miles would rather hide than help, especially the man's daughter. But something's not right. Someone's trying to destroy Stratton Industrial. A decorated war veteran, he's defended his own before and the Beast of Stratton can do it again.

Even with the enemy at his side.

TITLE: Beast of Stratton  
Discussion:

Question 1: How does Miles Stratton struggle with God in the first chapter of Beast of Stratton?

Answer 1: He wants to ask God to help His stepbrother. In fact, He does but then backpedals. He remembers His anger toward God and lashes out at Him in defeat and disbelief, not expecting Him to be faithful.

Question 2: Is Miles' lack of faith and disbelief rare or common among believers today?

Answer 2: When believers today are challenged, in health, finances, or other ways, it is a common response to lash out at God, especially believers who have not been discipled.

Question 3: Why was Miles so resistant to the news that his best friend Stephen Hart had betrayed him?

Answer 3: It is painful when trust is broken and Stephen is/was his best friend. Think on a time you were betrayed by someone close to you. What emotions does the memory resurrect? That is what Miles felt. You may forgive the betrayal but the emotions will stay with you long afterward and even cause to hold a grudge you aren't even aware of. Be careful of this. It can cause you to act out in ways you aren't meaning to and hurt someone you don't intend to when you honestly believe that you've forgiven them.

Question 4: When did Aimee realize that Miles was not the beast she thought he was?

Answer 4: This is questionable, but I would say in the garden.

Question 5: Who does God see when He looks at us? The beauty or the beast?

Answer 5: Thanks to God sending His Son to this earth to die for us and interceding, it isn't dependent on whomever did this the right way or that sacrifice...God doesn't have to choose. It's in our ballpark. If we choose to accept Jesus Christ as our Savior, God sees Jesus in us. Period. No beauty. No beast. Just His Son. He covers us with His blood, the same blood shed on the cross, and God's law is fulfilled.

