LIVING WITH THE DEVIL by Lori & Cindy Hart Book Club Discussion Questions

- 1. What do you think motivated the authors to tell their life story?
- 2. What lessons do Cindy and Lori take away from living with Donnie? Why are they important?
- 3. What is the overall message the authors are trying to convey?
- 4. Were there any instances in which you felt the authors were not being truthful? How did you react to these sections?
- 5. Why do you think Dianne stayed with Donnie? What drew her to him? Why did Donnie stay married to Dianne?
- 6. Is there anything that leads you to believe that Lori and Cindy think it is possible that Donnie is not guilty of murder?
- 7. What did Lori and Cindy do to help them manage the loss of control and normalcy in their lives?
- 8. Do you think Donnie was crazy or evil?
- 9. Do you feel sorry for Donnie? Do you feel sorry for Dianne? Why or why not?
- 10. Why do you think Donnie did such bizarre things such as flattening his stepchildren's car tires, throwing water on their bed and sabotaging the hot water tank? Did he love his children and stepchildren? Did he love Dianne?
- 11. Do you have a dysfunctional family or family member? How do you overcome that dysfunction?
- 12. Why was Donnie never held accountable for his lies and misrepresentations?
- 13. Why do you think Cindy and Lori went to Houston to visit Donnie and Dianne's old house and Donnie's current house? Why did they visit the homes of Wife Number 4 and Wife Number 5? What were they hoping to accomplish?
- 14. Why do you think Donnie told clients he won lawsuits that in some cases, he hadn't even filed?
- 15. How did you feel about Dianne? Was she a sympathetic character? Did you feel differently about her by the time you got to the end of the book?