What national resources do you think the underground espionage ring was smuggling into Canada?

Why do you think the Bible is kept locked up?

What do you think the Handmaid means when she says, “It is an incendiary device: who knows what we’d make of it, if we ever got our hands on it?”

The way the Handmaid describes the Commander puts a lot of pressure on him. What do you think would happen to the women of his “household”, as the Handmaid calls it, if he were to lose his position or die?

Do you think the Handmaid is jealous of the Commander having so much control over the women of the house, or do you think she believes it would be worse to be responsible for them all? Why?

 Aunt Lydia says, “Remember… for our purposes, your feet and your hands are not essential”, and the Wives have banned hand lotion that would make Handmaids attractive. But the feet and hands of Handmaids could be used to help them escape, and they are more attractive if they are not permanently disfigured. Why do you think Gilead does not permanently damage all of their feet?

What do you think the difference is between being valued and being valuable?

Why do you think the Handmaid is so intent on stealing something?

Do you think that the Handmaid is right that in her situation sanity is still valuable?

Do you believe the Handmaid really sane? Why or why not?

The Handmaid says that she knows that they’ve left parts out of the Bible. Why do you think they kept the parts that they did?

Where does “From each according to her ability to each according to his needs” come from?