



“ITS NAME IS LEGION is a cautionary horror story. . . . Book clubs will find it holds fascinating debate material perfect for vigorous discussions. . . . Timely and riveting . . . a hypnotic story!”

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Suggested Questions for Book Club Discussion

1. Would you recommend *Its Name Is Legion* to a friend? Why or why not?
2. Did you find author James Denney’s writing style readable and enjoyable? Why or why not? Did the story draw you in and entice you to turn the pages? Why or why not?
3. Which character did you find appealing or easy to identify with? (Explain.)
4. One of the protagonists was an atheist; the other was religious. Did the questions raised in the story evoke personal questions from your own experience?
5. Did any part of *Its Name Is Legion* stir up an emotion or mood for you? What part of the story had this effect? How did it make you feel?

6. What did you see as the central theme of the book? Did the author do a good job exploring that theme? How could the author have improved the exploration of this theme?

7. Although, in one sense, the story takes place in locations around the world (from California to Australia to the Himalayas to Spain), in another sense most of the story was confined to a single room in which the protagonists were imprisoned. How were you affected by the sense of strangeness that pervaded the story? Have there been times in your own experience when you couldn't be sure what was real and what was an illusion?

8. In Chapter 4, a supersmart AI system concludes that the human race should be exterminated for the good of the planet. Some AI experts claim this is a plausible and worrisome scenario. Did you find this novel and its premise disturbing? Do you think that the AI extinction scenario is (a) likely, (b) somewhat plausible, or (c) completely far-fetched? Explain.

9. Did anything in the novel annoy you, frustrate you, or upset you? Explain.

10. Did you find *Its Name Is Legion* thought-provoking? Did it change your opinion on any subject? Did you learn anything new? Explain.

11. Did the visual images in the book intensify the reading experience—or distract from it? Can you imagine this novel adapted as a movie? Which actors would you cast as Rachel, Galen, and the MAGIS android? Explain.

12. What did you think of the device of having events unfold in real (reading) time? Did that intensify the reading experience for you?

13. What did you think of the device of having the events unfold alternating points of view, Galen's POV in one chapter then Rachel's in the next? Did this deepen the reading experience and help you relate to each character?

14. Did you highlight or bookmark a favorite passage from the book—or a passage you disliked or disagreed with? Share a passage and reflect on what it meant to you.