

Fallen Hearts Study Guide

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Plot Summary

The book opens with a letter written by Heaven Casteel to her father, referred to as "Pa." Heaven tells her father she thinks it is time to ask for forgiveness and also to forgive. Heaven tells her father that she is getting married and she wants him to walk her down the aisle. Heaven also says that it is time that they develop the kind of relationship of which she has always dreamed of having with him.

The main character, Heaven Leigh Casteel, thinks about life in her grandfather's cabin and how the promise of spring helps to wash away some of the tragedy she has faced recently, including the death of her fiancé, Troy, and the death of her brother, Tom. Heaven had been brought up in the Willies, a rural area of Virginia where life is very hard for the hill people. Heaven had been treated poorly until she inherited a great sum of money from her mother's family.

During these difficult times, Logan Stonewall has always been there for Heaven. The pair had a relationship when they were very young. Logan is grateful that Heaven has returned to the Willies and believes that their love is meant to flourish. Logan feels the same way about Heaven and proposes.

Heaven's family is a main part of the story. Due to the large number infidelity issues, the concept of family is quite confusing. Although Heaven's upbringing is tragic, she has a great need and respect for family. She adored her grandparents, particularly her grandfather, whose cabin she maintains. Heaven had always longed for a relationship with her father, Luke, especially since her mother had died in childbirth. Luke wanted nothing to do with his children, which is why he sold them, a fact that seems almost ludicrous in modern times. It is not until much later that Heaven finds out that Luke is not her real father. However, the damage is done. It is even more devastating when Luke remarries and has a son that he cherishes.

Logan and Heaven marry. Heaven's biological father and grandfather, Tony, immediately offers to build a factory in Winnerow and puts Logan in charge. Heaven and Logan will live at Tony's estate until they can build a suitable house in their hometown. Meanwhile, Tony desperately wants Heaven as a member of his immediate family. However, Tony does all of the wrong things to ensure that it will happen, including buying Heaven anything she could possibly want and buying Heaven herself in the agreement with Luke when he sold the circus.

Heaven discovers that her fiancé and uncle, Troy, is still alive. Heaven and Troy rekindle their romance for one night during which Heaven becomes pregnant. Logan is also unfaithful at this time, impregnating Heaven's sister, Fanny.

The battle between the moral and ambitious Heaven and her opportunistic and promiscuous sister heats up as they battle over custody of Luke's son, Drake. Heaven pays Fanny off to keep Drake.

The story ends when both sisters give birth. Troy sends a present to his daughter and Heaven promises that unlike her own mother, she will tell Annie the truth about her father.



Chapters 1-3

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In Chapter 1, spring has arrived in the Willies. The weather has changed drastically and it almost feels like summer. The main character, Heaven Leigh Casteel, thinks about life in her grandfather's cabin and how the promise of spring helps to wash away some of the tragedy she has faced recently, including the death of her fiancé, Troy, and the death of her brother, Tom.

During these difficult times, Logan Stonewall has always been there for Heaven. The pair had a relationship when they were very young. Logan is grateful that Heaven has returned to the Willies and believes that their love is meant to flourish. Heaven says, "Logan had been there from the day I returned to Winnerow. He had been there through the terrible days of Tom's death, while Pa was in the hospital. He had been there after Pa had returned with Stacie and little Drake to his own home in Georgia. He had been there when Grandpa died, leaving me alone in the cabin of my childhood, now rebuilt and refurbished into a cozy home" (Chapter 1, p. 3).

Heaven prepares for her first day as a teacher at the Winnerow Grammar School. Logan arrives in the morning to pick Heaven up and to take her to school. Along the way, Logan talks about Heaven's return and how he has always loved her. Logan kisses Heaven. Although Heaven cares for Logan, the kiss reminds her of Troy. Heaven tries to block the thoughts from her mind.

Logan runs a store with his father. Logan takes Heaven to the soda fountain and surprises her with a castle fashioned out of ice cream. Logan proposes. Heaven accepts and the people in the store applaud.

Heaven thinks about being a hill girl. The hill families do not mix with the townspeople of Winnerow. For many years, people of the town thought of Heaven as white trash. Even when Heaven came into a lot of money, it did not change the people's opinions of her. Heaven says it is fine for her to teach the children of the town but that she would not be welcome in the church nor would she be accepted without the presence of Logan.

Heaven attends church with Logan. For the first time, Heaven sits in the front pew, something that would have caused a spectacle before she had become engaged. Mrs. Stonewall welcomes Heaven to the church, which was the ultimate sign of approval. Despite Heaven's reputation, she sings loudly and clearly during the hymns. Mrs.



Stonewall compliments Heaven's voice and invites her to join the ladies' choir. Once again Heaven thinks about how she intends to prove to the townspeople that the hill people are worthy of respect.

Heaven decides that she will ask her sister, Fanny, to be her maid of honor. Fanny and Heaven had not spoken in a year. Unlike Heaven, Fanny's past was turbulent. She had been taken in by the Reverend Wise as a young woman. The pair had an affair that resulted in a pregnancy. The Reverend and his wife claimed the baby as their own.

Heaven visits Fanny. Fanny is crude and somewhat unreceptive about the offer until Heaven offers to take her to the city to buy an expensive dress. Fanny also wants to bring her young beau to the wedding.

Fanny and Heaven's father belonged to a circus. After Heaven's mother died in childbirth, Pa sold off the children. Heaven knows that Pa is not her real father yet she desires his love.

Heaven reveals some of the family history. Heaven had been engaged to Troy Tatterton. Troy had committed suicide after learning about his sordid family history. Troy's brother, Tony, had slept with Heaven's mother. Tony was Heaven's biological father. He was also Troy's brother. Troy had been devastated and committed suicide. Heaven left Farthy on that day. Two years later, Heaven learned the truth about her relationship with Tony, who was also her grandfather by marriage.

The wedding plans progress. Heaven is anxious to be married. Heaven had written to Pa, asking him to give her away at the wedding. On the morning of the wedding, Heaven receives a letter from Pa, saying he cannot attend. Heaven is devastated and decides that she will give herself to Logan.

"I was crying for so many reasons, but most of all I was crying because I had hoped that my wedding would be the event to bring me and Pa together in a way we never had been." Chap. 1, p. 12

The day of the wedding arrives. Fanny has taken in her dress to reveal a curvy figure as well as her ample cleavage. Fanny comments that she cannot believe Heaven had asked the Reverend Wise to conduct the ceremony. During the ceremony, Fanny makes it a point to flash her cleavage to the Reverend.

Heaven wants to pay back the Reverend for his behavior toward Fanny and to also prove him wrong about his opinions of her family.

More family history is revealed.

At the reception, Fanny makes inappropriate gestures toward Logan, including groping him while they dance.

In Chapter 2, after the wedding Logan and Heaven go to the airport in Boston. They are deliriously happy. Everyone on the plane comments about their happiness and how it is



obvious that they are newlyweds such as this statement,"Full of hope and laughter, their love for each other so obvious even the most insensitive person would look at them and smile to himself,' the stewardess recited as if from her own lifelong dream" (Chap. 2, p. 18).

Tony had invited Heaven and Logan to hold a reception at Farthinggale Manor, his home. His wife, Heaven's grandmother, Jillian, is unwell so they could not attend the ceremony in Winnerow. Tony meets Heaven and Logan at the airport. Tony is clearly very happy to see Heaven and to meet Logan. Tony and Heaven catch up.

Tony's driver takes the trio to Farthinggale Manor, also known as Farthy. Heaven thinks about her relationship with Troy.

Heaven wants to rest while Tony gives Logan a grand tour of the massive estate. Logan is immediately start struck with Tony. Heaven feels somewhat left out as the men bond.

Heaven takes the opportunity to visit Jillian, her grandmother. Martha, Jillian's caregiver, warns Heaven that Jillian has changed drastically. Heaven approaches her grandmother's quarters. Jillian has dementia and is relatively mad. She mistakes Heaven for her daughter and Heaven's mother, Leigh. Jillian does not listen to anything Heaven has to say. Jillian primps in front of a mirror that is no longer hanging on the wall. Jillian talks about Leigh's demeanor and how she needs to take care of herself so that she can be almost as beautiful as Jillian herself.

Logan returns from the tour, excited about being at Farthy. Heaven and Logan make love for the first time.

In Chapter 3, Heaven wakes to find Logan gone. Heaven is disappointed at not being able to spend the morning with her new husband, watching his masculine ministrations. Heaven learns that Logan has gone off with Tony for a tour of the Tatterton Toy Factory. Logan has clearly become caught up in Tony's world.

It is the day of the reception. Heaven visits Jillian. Martha explains that Jillian believes it is her reception that is taking place, not Heaven and Logan's reception. It is explained to Heaven that almost everyone invited to the reception knows about Jillian's condition.

Heaven visits Rye, the cook. The pair is quite fond of each other.

Heaven watches as there are many people on the estate preparing for the reception. She sits by the water and thinks of Troy.

Logan finds Heaven at the waterfront. He explains that Tony has made an offer he can't refuse. Tony has offered Logan a job as the vice-president of marketing for the toy company. Tony will build a factory in Winnerow so that the newlyweds can stay in their hometown. Logan is thrilled at the prospect. Tony and Logan seem to have already made the decision without consulting Heaven. Heaven is overwhelmed.



Chapters 1-3 Analysis

There is a great deal of information given in this first chapter as well as the allusion to many secrets, mostly pertaining to Heaven's family. Some of the information is slightly convoluted and confusing, especially the age at which Heaven left her Pa's family and was sent to Farthy. It is also unclear when Heaven was sent to Winnerow to live with her grandparents.

Heaven's mother, Leigh, and her Pa operated a circus. Leigh's mother, Jillian, married a very wealthy man named Tony Tatterton. At some point, Tony and Leigh had an affair, resulting in the birth of Heaven. Heaven was unaware of this liaison until she was an adult.

Jillian is an extremely beautiful and extremely vain woman. It is obvious that even when she was well, she was obsessed with herself and her beauty. There was a great deal of jealous, distrust and animosity between Jillian and Leigh. At least some of that has transferred to Heaven, particularly since Jillian believes that Heaven is Leigh, her mother.

Heaven does not fit entirely into one world. She calls herself one of the hill people, a group of poor and uneducated people that live in the hills above Winnerow. The townspeople shun the hill people. Heaven believes she can unite the two groups when she marries Logan.

Tony dotes on Heaven, almost to the point of smothering her. Heaven is disappointed when Logan falls into Tony's trap. Heaven believes that Tony is a person that always gets what he wants. Apparently, he wants Logan. Heaven is fond of Tony but also wary.

Logan is a solid small town boy that is devoted to Heaven. However, when Tony makes the offer to Logan, he changes almost immediately.

"Logan sat back, a self-satisfied mile on his face, a face that had suddenly become unfamiliar to me, unlike the face I had know for so very many years, a face filled with ambition." Chap. 3, p. 36

The reader can surmise that the offer and Logan's association with Tony will cause problems for the couple.

The relationship between Heaven and Fanny is tumultuous at best. The read can also surmise that Fanny will do everything in her power to ruin Heaven's happiness.

Heaven's relationship with Troy is a strange one. Although neither Troy nor Heaven knew of their relationship, it seems very strange that Tony and Jillian would allow the relationship to flourish.



Chapters 4-7

Chapters 4-7 Summary

In Chapter 4, people begin to arrive at Farthy. Logan is impressed by the Rolls Royces, Mercedes and limousines that arrive. Heaven is happy, saying, "Every girl dreams of a wonderful wedding reception, but to see something like this, an extravaganza beyond my wildest imaginings, suddenly made all my dark thoughts about Tony and his manipulations disappear and made me realize how incredibly lucky I was" (Chapter 4, p. 44).

Heaven's brother and sister, Keith and Our Jane arrive. Heaven is thrilled to see them. The family takes a few minutes to catch up before Keith and Jane wander off to see the property.

Tony tells Heaven that it is important for him to be able to offer her everything. Heaven accepts but feels uneasy about the way Tony is holding her.

Jillian arrives and makes a scene about it being her wedding day to Tony. Most people ignore the scene while some seem stunned at Jillian's strange attire and make up.

Tony presents a silver Rolls Royce to Heaven and Logan. He says, "There was no limit to what he would do to win my heart and devotion, I thought. His love for me was both ruthless and overwhelming" (Chapter 4, p. 49).

Heaven speaks to Tony about Jillian's appearance. Heaven found it embarrassing. Tony says he views it as being tragic.

Logan suggests that he and Heaven remain at Farthy for the rest of their honeymoon instead of going to Virginia Beach as planned. Heaven reluctantly agrees.

Tony keeps his word and does not suggest business until the very end of the honeymoon. He spends several days in New York, leaving Logan and Heaven to enjoy various activities around and manor and Boston.

Heaven and Logan return to Winnerow to retrieve some things and to tell his parents about Tatterton's new factory.

Logan's parents are not happy at first. Logan's father had always dreamed of father and son working side by side at the drugstore. It is clear to Heaven that while Logan's parents eventually come around, Mrs. Stonewall has not accepted Heaven.

Heaven goes to the grammar school and resigns her job.

Heaven goes in search of a job site for the new factory. She finds one almost immediately.



Heaven goes to the cabin to help Logan find some paperwork. She arrives to find Fanny half naked in the cabin. Fanny claims her shower is broken and she wanted to use the shower. Fanny supposedly did not know that Logan and Heaven had returned. Logan claims that he could not get Fanny to leave. Logan returns to town while Heaven confronts Fanny. She says, "Fanny was Fanny. She was the way she always was. She always had a need to take from me anything I really wanted for myself" (Chapter 4, p. 57).

Fanny is angry and bitter. She claims that Heaven owes her. Heaven did not get Fanny's baby back from the Reverend and his wife. Fanny is angry that she was not invited to Farthy. Fanny wants to live at Farthy with Heaven. Heaven refuses. Fanny says Heaven is not finished with her yet and that Heaven cannot just walk away from Fanny.

In Chapter 5, the building site is approved. Logan has stepped into his new role quite well and seems happy. Heaven is still unsure about the situation and is even more unsettled about agreeing to live at Farthy. Logan begins to scout the area for locals who can carve toys for a new line of products.

Heaven begins to worry about Logan's image and demeanor.

Heaven visits Jillian. Martha is concerned about Jillian's behavior. She no longer lives in the past but in the present. Jillian insists that the dead have come back. Martha is extremely concerned. Heaven promises to speak with Tony.

Jillian recognizes Heaven instead of thinking she is Leigh. Jillian says everyone hates her and blames her for everything, including Troy's death. It was Jillian's horse that Troy had taken on the night he died. Heaven agrees with Martha that Jillian may need to be institutionalized.

Heaven thinks about Troy in his cottage.

Logan and Tony have gone to Boston to meet with an architect.

Heaven goes to the maze in the garden. She wonders why Jillian looks at it with fear. Heaven wanders through the maze and ends up at Troy's cabin. It seems untouched. Heaven returns to the house but gets lost in the maze. Heaven panics. Heaven meets an elderly man hired to tend the hedges. The man is a new employee. He speaks to Heaven about the ghosts at the manor and of Rye's stories. Rye is scaring the other employees but he is not the only one that sees and hears ghosts.

Tony and Logan return to Farthy. Heaven goes to see Tony about Jillian. Tony does not seem overly concerned but agrees to call the doctor.

Troy's death is recounted.

In Chapter 6, Jillian's doctor prescribes tranquilizers to keep the old woman calm.



Tony and Logan make a trip to Winnerow. A week later Heaven also goes to Winnerow. She meets Paul Grant, the architect. Heaven likes Paul immediately and is pleased that he is honoring the area with his design.

Over the next weeks Logan travels a lot, mostly to Winnerow and Boston.

Heaven settles into a quiet life at Farthy. Tony convinces Heaven to go to the theater in Boston. Tony presents Heaven with some of Jillian's diamonds. Tony tells Heaven that she is even more beautiful than her mother and grandmother. Heaven begins to wonder if her relationship with Tony has something to do with fate.

Heaven speaks to Tony about buying Logan. Heaven wonders if Tony is lonely without Jillian and Troy.

Jillian has a bad night and is convinced that she heard hoof beats. Martha is spooked. Heaven calms Martha and then goes to bed. Heaven is awakened in the night by the sound of footsteps. She wakes and sees a shadow.

The servants are growing more nervous by the increased sights and sounds of unknown origin. Heaven speaks to Rye and tells him to stop scaring everyone.

Heaven returns to the maze and to Troy's cottage. It seems as if someone is living at the cottage. Heaven follows the tunnels that attach the cabin to Farthy and finds Troy.

Troy starts to explain what happened. Troy also tells Heaven that he had intended to find her but then learned about her engagement to Logan.

In Chapter 7, Troy explains the entire scenario beginning with the letter he had written to Heaven shortly before he left. Troy had learned that Heaven was his niece. Tony had raised Troy since he was two years old and was almost like Troy's father. When Troy learned that Tony was Heaven's father, he knew that they could never be together. Troy thought about going away or burying himself in work. It was just before his twenty-ninth birthday. Troy had had visions of dying before his thirtieth birthday. Troy returned to Farthy after traveling but soon realized it was a mistake.

Troy had taken Jillian's wild horse for a ride. Troy wanted to prove that the horse could be ridden while hoping that the horse would kill him. Troy rode the horse into the surf. Troy's life was spared and he woke up on the beach. Troy left Farthy and traveled, allowing everyone to think he was dead.

Troy eventually returned to Farthy. Troy admits that he is the ghost many of the servants see and hear. It was Troy that had been in Heaven's room the night before. Troy says that Tony had recently found out that he was alive. Tony's reaction to Jillian makes sense to Heaven as Jillian saw Troy, not a ghost.

Troy says he will go away and stay away. He still loves Heaven but knows that they can never be together.



Heaven returns to the house. She sees Jillian in the window.

Logan tells Heaven that he has to stay in Winnerow for a couple more days. Heaven spends a great deal of time in her suite, claiming that she has a summer cold. Heaven remembers meeting Logan and her graduation from Winterhaven.

Chapters 4-7 Analysis

The story becomes even more convoluted. Heaven is thrown back into the world of high society at Farthy. Logan is thrilled with this new life and his association with Tony. Heaven doubts Tony's motives and knows that most of what he is doing is being done to win over Heaven.

Tony expects everyone to accept and tolerate Jillian's bizarre behavior. Tony refuses to put Jillian in an institution where she clearly belongs. This relates to Tony's fear of being alone.

Fanny promises trouble for Heaven. The girl lives up to her reputation as white trash and will use anyone and anything to get what she wants. Heaven is naïve to think that Fanny will ever be a positive part of her life. Fanny will surely attempt to steal Heaven's life, starting with Logan.

The paranormal aspect of the story is interesting yet contrived. Rye is a superstitious old man that is convinced that Tony's dead ancestors have returned to haunt Farthy. Heaven becomes angry with Rye for scaring everyone. Heaven's confrontation with Rye marks a large change in their relationship, changing from friends to employer and employee.

Jillian shows more of her true colors in this section. Jillian can be a vicious woman and has deep resentments toward her own daughter. Jillian believes that everyone is jealous of her for her position and beauty. Jillian also bears animosity toward Heaven, mostly because she is Leigh's daughter.

The reappearance of Troy is a great shock to Heaven. Heaven had already been feeling guilty for thinking of Troy so much and now they are face to face. Heaven loves Logan but longs for Troy. Troy explains everything but Heaven wonders if it had been better to keep thinking Troy was dead. Troy says he will go away and not let Heaven know where he is going so that he will not jeopardize her future. Heaven knows this is best but mourns for Troy again.



Chapters 8-11

Chapters 8-11 Summary

In Chapter 8, Heaven has a sleepless night. During the wee hours, she thinks she hears piano music. Heaven goes against her judgment and searches the house for Troy. When she does not find him, she uses the tunnels to go to Troy's cabin. They have a night of passion.

Minutes after Heaven returns to her suite, she hears Martha scream. Jillian is dead. Jillian swallowed the whole bottle of tranquilizers. Martha feels guilty for not knowing that Jillian had sneaked into her room. Jillian had known that the tranquilizers were not vitamins as Martha had claimed. Tony dissolves in grief when he sees Jillian.

Heaven stays by Tony's side. She wonders who she pities more - Tony or Jillian. Heaven decides that Tony deserves her pity because Jillian is now at rest.

Heaven thinks about the first time she had come to Farthy and how things have changed. She remarks, "He looked the way he used to, when I had first come to Farthy and found them active and vibrant and alive, when Jillian was the most beautiful woman I had ever seen and Tony the most elegant man I had ever met" (Chapter 8, p. 116).

Heaven sobs out her misery, saying, "I thought about all the family I had lost - the mother I had never known because she died giving birth to me, the father I thought I had, but who resented me because my birth took away the young wife he adored, my granny who was old far before her time, worn down and haggard by her life in the Willies, my grandpa who had come to love and rely on me, but who was lost in his own imaginary world until the day he died, and my gentle and loving brother Tom, the victim of a cruel freak accident, an accident caused by my need for love and retribution" (Chapter 8, p. 118).

Tony immediately brings up the inheritance left to Heaven by Jillian. Tony makes it a point to say that there will be no inheritance for Jillian's siblings because they were jealous of her and she despised them.

Heaven goes to tell Troy the news. Troy is gone. Heaven finds a goodbye letter from Troy, who had been informed about Jillian's death by Tony. Troy had tormented Jillian, causing her to believe she was seeing his ghost.

In Chapter 9, Tony made plans for the funeral. The house is packed with people. Jillian's siblings arrive and Tony delivers the news about the inheritance. Martha leaves.

Tony begins to change dramatically. He does not go to the office, nor does he dress as he always had. Tony begins to neglect his appearance and his office. Logan tries to answer questions but knows almost nothing about the business.



Heaven tries to speak to Tony but he only hears part of what she says. Tony is in deep grief. Tony tells Heaven how much he appreciates her presence in his life and at Farthy. He says, "'I want to thank you for being such a strength and comfort to me, Heaven,' he said. ' You've proven yourself capable and quite dependable. It makes me happy to know that when the times comes, you will be able to move right into my position and run our financial empire,'" (Chapter 9, p. 130).

Heaven's school friend, Amy visits. The women talk about their school days. Amy asks about Troy, which upsets Heaven.

Heaven learns that Tony has not gone to work. She finds him at Troy's cabin and decides to leave him grieve in peace.

Fanny calls Heaven to inform her that she is pregnant. The baby belongs to Logan.

In Chapter 10, Fanny gives Heaven the sordid details of her affair with Logan. It is clear that Fanny intends to blackmail Logan. Eventually, Heaven hangs up on Fanny and calls Logan to tell him to come home right away.

Logan arrives at Farthy and confesses his affair with Fanny. Logan begs for Heaven's forgiveness. For a moment, Heaven compares Logan's situation to the fact that she had slept with Troy but then decided that it was not the same thing at all.

Heaven visits Fanny and makes an arrangement to pay her a sum of \$2500 per month. Heaven warns Fanny that she will not receive any more than that and if she attempts to blackmail her or Logan, the money will be cut off.

In Chapter 11, Logan proposes that he and Heaven buy a house in Winnerow so she can be there with him while he works on the new site. Heaven wonders why the cabin isn't good enough to be their home, at least temporarily. She says, "Power and money were changing Logan. He never went anywhere without putting on a suit and tie. He bought a very expensive watch and a diamond pinky ring, had his newly grown beard trimmed every other day, and even went for manicures" (Chap. 11, p. 152-153).

Logan suggests that he and Heaven buy Hasbrouck House. Heaven is stunned at the suggestion. When she balks at the idea of trying to buy the grand old mansion, Logan says that Sonny Hasbrouck is in need of money and will sell it for the right price.

Heaven learns that she is pregnant. She suspects that the baby is Troy's but has no intention of ever telling Logan. Logan and Tony are ecstatic. That night, during a celebratory dinner, Tony receives a telegram. Heaven's father and step mother have been killed in a car accident. Heaven immediately prepares to go to Atlanta to stay with her little brother, Drake.

Heave and Logan arrive in Atlanta. Heaven tells Drake that his parents have died. Drake does not really understand. He is appeased when Heaven tells him that he will go to live in a grand house and have lots of toys.



Chapters 8-11 Analysis

Heaven's life becomes much more complex after spending the night with Troy. While Heaven knows she can never be with Troy again, part of her wishes for it.

Jillian's death is a surprise. It may have been caused by the fact that Jillian had gone mad, but more likely that she had a short period of lucidity and came to realize what was happening to her. Seeing Troy only increased Jillian's fears and beliefs that the past had truly come back to haunt her.

Heaven is distraught over Jillian's death. However, Heaven's grief is caused by losses throughout her life, not because of the loss of her grandmother who was not a nice woman and who kept herself removed from Heaven and others. Things become more difficult when Heaven thinks she is also going to lose Tony to madness.

Heaven is thrilled to learn that she is pregnant but fearful that the baby belongs to Troy. Learning about Fanny's pregnancy had devastated Heaven and it is surprising that she had decided to stick by Logan and place the majority of the blame on Fanny. Heaven easily rationalizes her affair with Troy and does not hold herself as accountable as Fanny and Logan.

Fanny will clearly plague Heaven for the rest of her life, particularly since the baby has come into the picture. Heaven is foolish to not require a DNA test.

Heaven receives another blow when Luke dies. Heaven had hoped to create a relationship with Luke but it is clear that it cannot happen now. Of course, Fanny is on the scene hoping to claim what she can from Luke's death.



Chapters 12-15

Chapters 12-15 Summary

In Chapter 12, Heaven and Logan take Drake and go to the lawyer's office to make arrangements for Luke and Stacie's funeral and to be able to take Drake back to Farthy. It is learned that Steine is Tony's attorney, not Luke's. Heaven finds this to be very odd. She learns that Tony had purchased the circus and then sold it to Luke for \$1. Tony had stepped in and had made every possible arrangement through the lawyer. Heaven is upset and again, feels overwhelmed.

Heaven, Logan and Drake return to Luke's house. Logan makes lunch for Drake while Heaven packs a few things and prepares to return to Farthy.

Fanny arrives with Randall. Fanny creates a fuss and tries to take Drake away. She repeatedly points out that she was Pa's favorite.

Heaven, Logan and Drake fly back to Boston and to Farthy. She says, "Soon both Logan and Drake fell asleep, Drake's sweet dark head resting on Logan's lap. How peaceful they seemed. I wished I could feel so peaceful, but my mind was abuzz with anxiety" (Chapter 13, p. 181)

Logan leaves for Winnerow shortly after returning to Farthy. Tony is also absent as he is away on business. Heaven is curious about the purchase of the circus and goes into Tony's office to search for documentation. Heaven finds a file with her name on it and reads the agreement between Tony and Luke. Part of the agreement required Luke to agree to never contact Heaven again. Heaven is livid.

In Chapter 13, Heaven introduces Drake to Farthy. Drake is still confused by the loss of his parents. Rye helps out tremendously by making special items for Drake.

Heaven confronts Tony about the agreement with Luke. Tony says he was trying to protect Heaven and he also wanted to ensure that she would never leave him. Once again, Tony had manipulated the situation.

That night Tony comes to Heaven's room. He is drunk. He mistakes Heaven for her mother, Leigh. Tony brings a negligee and perfume, begging Heaven to put them on. Heaven fends off Tony until he realizes what he has done. Tony goes away.

The next morning, Heaven prepares to leave Farthy. Tony does not come to breakfast which alarms the servants. Heaven searches for Tony and finds him in Jillian's suite. Tony is passed out on the bed. He reeks of Jillian's perfume and is wearing the negligee he presented to Heaven the night before. Heaven tells the servants that Tony is unwell and will be down when he wakes. Heaven takes Drake and leaves Farthy.



In Chapter 14, Heaven introduces Drake to Winnerow. She tries to convince Drake that Winnerow is a grand place to grow up. Heaven shows Drake the house where Luke grew up and several other things that might interest the little boy.

Logan meets Heaven and Drake. They go to the Hasbrouck house. Logan explains that he has not finished hiring the servants. Heaven and Logan discuss options. Heaven says she will be fine for a few days without servants.

Heaven, Logan and Drake meet Mr. Appleberry, the gardener. The older man is kind to Drake and promises to be a good asset to the household.

Drake is put to bed and Heaven and Logan sit down to discuss many items including the fact that the factory will be ready to open in a month. Heaven tells Logan everything that had happened with Tony. Logan takes pity on Tony, which shocks and upsets Heaven. Eventually, Logan says the right things and eases Heaven's mind.

The house begins to take shape. Even Logan's mother is impressed. She insists that Heaven call her "Mother." Heaven is also busy making plans for the factory's grand opening party. Heaven is nervous about Tony coming to Winnerow. Logan explains that while Tony behaved badly, the factory was still his and would not be possible without Tony's money. The factory had been renamed.

Heaven goes to the local beauty parlor and has her hair returned to its natural color.

Tony arrives for the celebration. He begs for Heaven's forgiveness and for her to return to Farthy. Heaven makes it very clear that she will never forgive Tony or return to Farthy.

During the party Heaven becomes dizzy. Loretta insists that Heaven lie down. Heaven wakes after the party is over and is upset that she missed it. Logan says she needed to rest.

Drake is missing. Heaven is frantic but after a short time knows where to look.

In Chapter 15, the police are called and the search begins. Heaven mentions that Fanny could have taken Drake out of spite for not being invited to the party.

Heaven goes to Fanny's house. Fanny admits to taking Drake, saying that she has as much right to him as Heaven. Fanny says she has told Drake the truth and now Drake does not want to see Heaven. The women fight. Fanny says she has seen a lawyer and plans to file for custody. She and Randall are going to be married and will take care of Drake. Heaven says she will fight for Drake. Fanny tells Heaven to get out of her house.

Heaven returns home and tells Logan what has happened. Logan says he can settle things out of court. Fanny will get tired of the responsibility and give up. Heaven believes otherwise. Logan begins to act selfishly and Heaven becomes angry. Heaven says she will win the battle no matter what dirty laundry is aired. Logan finally agrees.



Heaven calls Arthur Steine to ask for advice and the name of an attorney in Virginia. Steine recommends Camden Lakewood, a noted attorney. Lakewood arrives at Hasbrouck House to discuss the case. Heaven tells him everything. There is some surprise but the dignified man hides it and assures Heaven that Logan's indiscretion will not damage the case.

Loretta tries to talk Heaven out of proceeding with the court case. Heaven becomes angry over Loretta's concern of gossip and how it overrides Drake's welfare. Heaven proceeds.

Chapters 12-15 Analysis

Fanny seeks out her revenge as expected. Heaven is surprised, however, that Fanny would steal Drake and fill his head with tales that would turn him against her. Heaven is furious. For the first time, all sympathy for Fanny is gone. Heaven is ready to fight.

Logan makes a valid point in saying that Fanny will grow tired of the responsibility. However, Logan and others underestimate Fanny's jealousy and drive to ruin Heaven.

It is the first time Heaven truly appreciates what her family's money can do. Lakewood assures Heaven that the money, her morality, and what she can offer Drake far outweighs Fanny's rights as Drake's sister.

Logan and Loretta seem to care much more about public opinion than about her case to save Drake. Heaven does not care what people think. She knows about town gossip but it is unimportant to her. Logan continues to think about what it will do to the factory and to their lives and to the lives of their children.



Chapters 16-19

Chapters 16-19 Summary

In Chapter 16, the trial begins. The courtroom is flooded despite foul weather. The first witness called is Mr. Meeks, the principal of the local school. Meeks comments on Fanny's behavior and gives favorable reviews of Heaven's work as a teacher.

The next person called is the Reverend Wise. Wise admits to fathering a child by Fanny. He also comments that she gladly took money from him to give up her child as she did not want the responsibility.

The next witness called is Peggy Sue Martin, the owner of a boarding house in Nashville. Martin states that Fanny used to prostitute herself in order to pay the rent.

The judge calls for a recess. Lakewood declares round one as a knock out.

In Chapter 17, the trial continues. Fanny is put on the witness stand and tells a completely different story about the Reverend Wise. Even Heaven feels somewhat sorry for her. The truth comes out about Logan possibly being the father of Fanny's baby.

Randall is also questioned and admits that Fanny initially told him that he was the father.

The trial is adjourned for the day.

In the middle of the night Lakewood calls and says he must meet with Heaven and Logan. Lakewood has something shocking to say that will ensure that Fanny will receive custody of Drake.

In Chapter 18, Fanny knows that Tony is really Heaven's father. Therefore, Heaven is not Drake's blood relative. The court will surely award custody to Fanny.

Heaven goes to Fanny's house to discuss the situation. She learns that Randall is gone. Heaven offers Fanny one million dollars to get Drake. Fanny accepts and Heaven takes Drake back to Hasbrouck House.

In Chapter 19, Tony paid the one million dollars to Fanny. Heaven tells Logan who simply says that the factory will have to make lots of money to pay Tony back so that they will never owe him again.

Fanny and Heaven go into labor at the same time. Fanny has a son named Luke; Heaven has a daughter named Annie.

One day a music box arrives at Hasbrouck House. It is a replica of Troy's cottage at Farthy. Troy knows that Annie is his daughter. Someday Heaven will tell Annie the truth.



Chapters 16-19 Analysis

Fanny learned about Heaven's true father when she had received a letter from Tom. Heaven feels somewhat betrayed but realizes that Tom must have been upset to learn that he and Heaven were not related by blood.

Fanny holds true to her nature by accepting the money from Heaven.

For the first time, Heaven takes advantage of Tony's warped affection by asking him to pay Fanny.

There is still a great deal of truth hidden in the story but Heaven promises that the truth will be told one day.



Characters

Heaven Leigh Casteel Stonewall

Heaven Leigh Casteel Stonewall is the main character in *Fallen Hearts* by V.C. Andrews. Heaven is a young woman in her early twenties. She is the daughter of toy tycoon Anthony Tatterton, yet Tony acts as Heaven's grandfather as his parentage is supposedly a secret to most.

Heaven grew up in Winnerow, a small town located in the hills of Virginia. The area is known as the Willies. Growing up, Heaven was one of the poor hill people, often undernourished and neglected. She was raised, briefly, by a step-father that owned a circus. Heaven eventually goes to live with her grandparents after being sold by her step-father, who Heaven believed for a long time was her natural father.

Heaven's mother was a stunning beauty that had an affair with her own step-father, resulting in Heaven's birth. This indiscretion, as well as her grandmother's marriage, was responsible for helping Heaven to claim a large family fortune.

Heaven is determined to make people see that the hill people are as worthy as everyone else.

Heaven marries her high school sweetheart, Logan, after a doomed love supposedly dies in a violent accident.

Heaven eventually becomes a school teacher in Winnerow and is determined to raise her family in her hometown. Throughout the story, Heaven sheds some of her damaged past to become a woman that learns to stand up for herself and to stop blaming others.

Anthony Townsend Tatterton

Anthony Townsend Tatterton is the president of Tatterton Toys. He is also the owner of Farthingale Manor, the family home that is passed down to the eldest son in each generation.

Tony is a highly successful, elegant man. He is self-assured, manipulative, and is determined that he should have anything his heart desires, even if it hurts others.

Tony married Jillian when he was twenty years old and Jillian was forty. At the time, Jillian's daughter, Leigh, was twelve. Leigh grew up to be even more beautiful than her striking mother. Tony and Leigh had an affair that resulted in Heaven's birth.

Throughout the story it is revealed that Tony will do almost anything to take care of Heaven, even when it means bribing her step-father into giving up all contact with her. This breaks Heaven's heart. The relationship between Heaven and Tony basically ends



after Tony gets drunk and attempts to seduce Heaven, believing that she is Leigh. All efforts Tony makes after the fact fall on deaf ears and Heaven shuns Tony.

Tony tries to win over everyone and succeeds in the early days of Heaven's marriage when he makes Logan an offer he cannot refuse. Logan greatly admires Tony and begins to become like him, a fact which upsets Heaven.

As the story progresses, Tony begins to fall apart and realizes that he has lost everyone he has loved, particularly Heaven.

Logan Stonewall

Logan is Heaven's high school sweetheart. Eventually the couple gets married and has a child. Logan gives up his job as a pharmacist to run a toy factory in their hometown.

Fanny Wilcox

Fanny is Heaven's step-sister. Fanny is conniving, opportunistic and promiscuous.

Luke Casteel

Luke Casteel is Heaven's step-father and Fanny's father. For many years Heaven believed that Luke was her father and was denied his love.

Jillian Tatterton

Jillian Tatterton is Heaven's grandmother. She is married to Tony Tatterton, the president of Tatterton Toys. Jillian is vain and eventually goes mad and commits suicide.

Troy Tatterton

Troy Tatterton is Heaven's first love. Troy and Heaven become engaged but break up when it is learned that Troy is Heaven's uncle. Troy is the father of Annie, Heaven's daughter.

Leigh Casteel

Leigh is Heaven's mother. Leigh had an affair with her step-father, Tony, which resulted in Heaven's birth. Leigh died in childbirth.



Martha Goodman

Martha Goodman is Jillian's caregiver.

Rye Whiskey

Rye Whiskey is the nickname given to the old superstitious cook at Farthy.



Objects/Places

Farthy

Farthinggale Manor is a castle-like estate located a short distance from Boston. The manor, referred to as Farthy by the family, is owned by Tony and Jillian Tatterton. Tony inherited the property from his father, who inherited it from his father, and so forth. The house is vast with many suites of rooms, a swimming pool, gardens which include an elaborate maze, outbuildings, and more. The house maintains stables. It is located on the ocean front. The house is a dream for a child like Drake. Heaven finds the house to be overwhelming and is surprised that she has agreed to live there, if only temporarily.

Troy Tatterton maintains a cottage on the grounds. Heaven discovers that Troy is not dead at the cottage. Heaven and Troy make love and conceive Annie. It is also at this cottage that Troy carves and creates toys for the factory.

The house is staffed with many servants old and new including Curtis the butler, Miles the chauffeur, and Rye Whiskey, the cook. A newer addition is Martha Goodman, Jillian's caregiver.

Some of the servants believe that Farthy is haunted. Some of the activity is explained by the fact that Troy often wanders into the house. Other activity cannot be explained.

Farthy is used to hold a grand reception for Heaven and Logan's wedding.

Winnerow

Winnerow, Virginia is the small town in which Heaven grew up along with other members of her family including Tom, Fanny, Our Jane, and Keith. It is also the hometown to Logan Stonewall.

Winnerow is separated into two classes of people: the poor hill people and the townspeople. The townspeople shun and deride the hill people, believing that they are far beneath them. Heaven however intends to prove to the townspeople that the hill people are worthy of respect. Although Heaven has come into a great deal of money, the townspeople still view her as a hill girl, at least for a while.

The region is often referred to as the Willies and is home to many artisans who cherish the old ways, including carving magnificent pieces of art. Tatterton toys intends to hire these artisans and to build a factory in Winnerow to support the art.

After Heaven and Logan are married, they purchase one of the finest houses in town - the Hasbrouck House.

Heaven teaches at the Winnerow Grammar School.



Tatterton Toys

Tatterton Toys is the name of the company owned by Tony Tatterton. It eventually opens a sister factor in Winnerow.

Grandpa's Cabin

Grandpa's cabin is where Heaven grew up and continued to live after her grandfather's death.

Hasbrouck House

Hasbrouck House is the name of the house bought by Heaven and Logan after they get married and return to Winnerow.

Boston

Boston is a city located near Farthy. It is often visited by characters when they dine, shop, or go to the theater.

Troy's Cabin

Troy's cabin is located at Farthy and is attached to the main house. It is where Heaven discovers that Troy is alive and where Annie is conceived.

Willies Toy Factory

This is the new name of the toy factory located in Winnerow.

Winnerow Grammar School

This is where Heaven gets a job as a teacher.

The Maze

The maze is an actual maze constructed from hedges. It is located on the grounds of Farthy.



Themes

Jealousy

Jealousy is one of the main themes in "Fallen Hearts" by V.C. Andrews. The majority of the jealousy between characters can be seen in the relationship between Heaven and her step-sister, Fanny. Heaven managed to break out of the poor region of the Willies and to receive an education and a way out of the poverty and hardships that plagued Fanny. Both children were sold by their father as youths and Fanny has always been jealous that Heaven seemed to get a much better deal.

Fanny spends her entire life being so jealous of Heaven that she is blinded to anything else. Ever since their childhood, Fanny made it a point to try to steal away anything Heaven ever wanted, particularly boys and men. Fanny's jealousy causes her to seduce Heaven's husband, Logan, and to attempt to embarrass her in court when Heaven wants to receive custody of Drake.

Fanny also deeply resents Heaven for being more important to their father, although Fanny quickly points out to everyone that she was Pa's favorite even though it is a lie.

Jealousy also played a role in Heaven's school days. Amy tells Heaven that the other girls were jealous of her and therefore made it a point to torment her at school.

Infidelity

Infidelity is one of the main themes in "Fallen Hearts" by V.C. Andrews. The infidelity is so rampant in the story that it is difficult to unravel at first. Several of the characters have affairs and have children by other men. The first is Leigh, Heaven's mother. Tony, Leigh's step-father, seduces Leigh at a young age. Leigh becomes pregnant with Heaven.

Heaven is unfaithful to Logan after she learns that Troy is alive. Troy is the father of Heaven's daughter, Annie.

Logan is unfaithful to Heaven after being seduced by Fanny. Fanny's son Luke is Logan's baby.

The Reverend Wise is unfaithful to his wife with Fanny, producing baby girl Darcy.

The infidelities cause a great deal of grief for all involved. The infidelity of Leigh causes a rift between Heaven and Luke, which also causes Heaven to lose legal custody of Drake until she pays off Fanny.



Fanny's infidelity costs the new marriage to Randall. However, in true Fanny fashion, Fanny does not care and throws Randall out after she receives the money from Heaven.

The end of the story has Heaven promising to tell Annie one day the true identity of her father, Troy.

Family

Family is one of the main themes in "Fallen Hearts" by V.C. Andrews. Because of the infidelity issues, the concept of family is quite confusing. Although Heaven's upbringing is tragic, she has a great need and respect for family. She adored her grandparents, particularly her grandfather, whose cabin she maintains. Heaven had always longed for a relationship with her father, Luke, especially since her mother had died in childbirth. Luke wanted nothing to do with his children, which is why he sold them, a fact that seems almost ludicrous in modern times. It is not until much later that Heaven finds out that Luke is not her real father. However, the damage is done. It is even more devastating when Luke remarries and has a son that he cherishes. Heaven's desire to raise Drake has a great deal to do with the fact that Drake is the last remaining tie to her father.

Tony desperately wants Heaven as a member of his immediate family. However, Tony does all of the wrong things to ensure that it will happen, including buying Heaven anything she could possibly want and buying Heaven herself in the agreement with Luke when he sold the circus.

Heaven is determined to make her own family different although Annie is born out of an affair, which is no different than Heaven's own beginning.

Although Heaven has cut ties with Tony, the man will certainly make future attempts to reunite with Heaven and her family.



Style

Point of View

"Fallen Hearts" by V.C. Andrews is written in the first-person point of view, through the eyes of the main character, Heaven Leigh Casteel Stonewall. The use of first person in the story works well in that the reader is able to understand the world of a woman who was sold by her circus owning step-father who learns that she is an heiress and becomes a respected member of a community that once had shunned her for her poverty and lack of blue blood. The reader is taken on a journey along with Heaven and is enabled to see inside the mind of the woman as she wends through a complicated life of lies, jealousy, and betrayal.

The use of first person makes the story seem slightly less confusing although there is a great deal of obfuscation in the story and many mysteries to be unraveled, particularly when it comes to the parentage of several of the characters, including Heaven and her own daughter, Annie.

While third person omniscient may have enabled the reader to get a broader view of Heaven's life, the use of first person lends an air of authenticity to the story and allows the character of Heaven Leigh Casteel Stonewall to become real.

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Language and Meaning

The language and meaning used throughout "Fallen Hearts" by V.C. Andrews reflects on the times in a number of ways. More importantly, it is reflective of the culture and education of the rural region in which much of the story is set.

Andrews creates a story in which the language is regional and rough, with a heavy influence of slang and mispronounced words. The language used is representative of many aspects of southern life, from upbringing, to race, class, and education. Some of the people who are well educated still use the accepted slang which sometimes seems out of place although it would be acceptable in that time and place.

The reader will not have great difficulty in understanding most of the language although there are some instances when it seems misused. The language often works well when used in dialogue but may seem frivolous when used elsewhere.

There are some instances where the language does not seem out of the ordinary, even by modern standards.

The biggest difference in language can be seen in the scenes during which Heaven speaks with her sister, Fanny. Heaven is educated and has lost the regionalisms and poor articulation skills practiced by the hill people while Fanny firmly embraces the poor language skills of the region.

Overall, the use of southern vernacular, both slang and proper, works well in allowing the reader to catch a glimpse into the mind of the reader and the thoughts, feelings, and socially accepted behaviors of the time.

Structure

"Fallen Hearts" by V.C. Andrews is a work of fiction. The book is 279 pages in length and is comprised of 19 chapters. The shortest chapter is 6 pages in length; the longest chapter is 16 pages in length. The average length of a chapter is 15 pages.

The story is chronological in nature and covers a period of approximately 18 months. The beginning of the story takes place in spring at Grandpa's cabin. The story covers Heaven's life as she rekindles a relationship with Logan Stonewall and marries. Logan and Heaven open a factory in their hometown and have a child. Along the way the author uses flashbacks to fill in many necessary items, particularly involving Heaven's childhood and family relationships as well as the salacious details of questionable parentage among several of the characters.

The chapters are as follows:

Chapter 1: Promises of Spring



Chapter 2: In My Father's House

Chapter 3: Offerings

Chapter 4: The Grand Reception

Chapter 5: Ghosts

Chapter 6: A Face in the Darkness

Chapter 7: Troy

Chapter 8: Forbidden Passions

Chapter 9: Old and New Lives

Chapter 10: Fanny's Game

Chapter 11: Life and Death

Chapter 12: Good-bye, Pa

Chapter 13: The Sins of My Father

Chapter 14: There's No Place Like Home

Chapter 15: Love Held Hostage

Chapter 16: The Trial

Chapter 17: Evil at the Bottom of the Hill

Chapter 18: What Money Can Buy

Chapter 19: The Music Box



Quotes

"Logan had been there from the day I returned to Winnerow. He had been there through the terrible days of Tom's death, while Pa was in the hospital. He had been there after Pa had returned with Stacie and little Drake to his own home in Georgia. He had been there when Grandpa died, leaving me alone in the cabin of my childhood, now rebuilt and refurbished into a cozy home" (Chapter 1, p. 3).

"Full of hope and laughter, their love for each other so obvious even the most insensitive person would look at them and smile to himself,' the stewardess recited as if from her own lifelong dream" (Chapter 2, p. 18).

"Logan sat back, a self-satisfied smile on his face, a face that had suddenly become unfamiliar to me, unlike the face I had know for so very many years, a face filled with ambition" (Chapter 3, p. 36).

"Fanny was Fanny. She was the way she always was. She always had a need to take from me anything I really wanted for myself" (Chapter 4, p. 57).

"There was no better way to spread the news of the upcoming economic investment in Winnerow than to start negotiations for the land" (Chapter 5, p. 61).

"I ran through the corridors, again, cursing the mystery. I was sure I had gone around in circles" (Chapter 5, p. 71).

"It was cruel of me to resent him for using his money to keep Logan and me at Farthy, I thought" (Chapter 6, p. 82).

"I was in Winnerow just before your wedding. I came in disguise and actually was in Logan's parents' drugstore" (Chapter 6, p. 97).

He looked the way he used to, when I had first come to Farthy and found them active and vibrant and alive, when Jillian was the most beautiful woman I had ever seen and Tony the most elegant man I had ever met" (Chapter 8, p. 116).

"I want to thank you for being such a strength and comfort to me, Heaven,' he said. ' You've proven yourself capable and quite dependable. It makes me happy to know that when the times comes, you will be able to move right into my position and run our financial empire'" (Chapter 9, p. 130).

"Soon both Logan and Drake fell asleep, Drake's sweet dark head resting on Logan's lap. How peaceful they seemed. I wished I could feel so peaceful, but my mind was abuzz with anxiety." (Chapter 13, p. 181).

"I recalled the trip I took to that rundown house with its peeling paint and sagging blinds in Nashville. How naïve I had been not to know what sort of things went on there" (Chapter 16, p. 246).



Topics for Discussion

Examine the relationship between Troy and Heaven. Why do you think Tony allowed the relationship to start and thrive when he knew the truth about their biological link? How might Heaven have acted if she found out before Troy's alleged suicide? How did the news change Heaven's opinion of Troy and Tony?

Discuss Fanny's character. How are Fanny and Heaven different? Why does Heaven "owe" Fanny? What might Fanny do to ruin Heaven's life? Why does Fanny hate Heaven?

Examine Jillian's character. What happened to Jillian? Do you think she is crazy? Why does Jillian feel so much jealousy and resentment? What is Jillian's relationship with Tony? How did she relate to Leigh?

Discuss Tony's relationship with Logan. Does Tony have a lot of faith in Logan's ability or is he trying to buy Logan as Heaven suggests? Why is Logan so star struck with Tony? Would Logan's opinions of Tony change if he knew the truth?

Examine the relationship between the hill people and the townspeople of Winnerow. Why is there such a disconnect in the two cultures? Can the cultures ever come together? Explain.

What arrangement does Tony make with Luke Casteel? How does Heaven find out about the deal? What is her response? How might you feel?

Examine the relationship between Heaven and Drake. Do you think Drake will ever accept Heaven as his sister? Can Drake possibly understand what has happened? Do you think Heaven has addressed the situation appropriately? Explain.