**Summary**

*The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride*

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Chapter 34

* Murray is in jail. Murray thinks he is a criminal but doesn’t regret his choice to help Jason get his wish. Murray tries to distract himself from thinking about Jason.
* Chance posts bail for Murray. Chance and Murray talk about their relationship and clear up misunderstandings. Chance only wants Murray’s baseball glove because it reminds him of playing catch with his grandfather. Murray apologizes for being “old and crabby” (p. 169). Chance and Murray cry and hug each other. Murray explains that he hasn’t felt old since meeting Jason.
* The policeman tells Murray that he has a restraining order against him. Murray will go back to jail if he goes within 500 feet of Jason.
* Murray calls Tiegan and talks to Anna. Jason needs a new heart very soon or he might die. Murray wants to see Jason very badly. Anna is going to try and help get rid of the restraining order.

Chapter 35

* Murray feels empty on his drive home. Murray thinks that when you love someone, “somehow or another, it always ends bad” (p. 173). Murray believes the only way to escape this feeling is to die before your loved one. Murray decides he doesn’t want to quit on Jason.
* Murray sends Jason an email to apologize and say he is proud of him. Murray tells Jason he loves and misses him.
* Murray still wants to help Jason with his wishes. He goes to model at the art class. Collins is at the art class and offers to help Murray. Murray thinks Collins is a good man and would treat Anna well.
* Murray learns that Collins was in the Peace Corps. Collins learns that Murray used to play baseball for the Chicago Cubs. Murray gives Collins his favorite baseball card to bring to Jason.

Chapter 36

* Jason doesn’t answer Murray’s email. Murray feels lost and impatient.

* Anna calls Murray and tells him that Jason is third on the heart transplant waiting list. The only way to move up on the list is if a heart becomes available close by, geographically.
* Murray goes to St. Joseph’s and tells Father James that he loves Jason. Father James says life would be nothing without love. He tells Murray the story of a young couple whose son died. Father James says “Find yourself, Murray. And you’ll find your path” (p. 181).
* Murray realizes who he wants to be; He wants to be Jason’s friend.
* Murray goes to Jason’s father’s house and yells at him. He tells him how to be a good father. Benedict (Jason’s father) pushes Murray, who falls down. Murray’s left leg hurts a lot. Benedict apologizes and promises to lift the restraining order. Murray tells Benedict to go be with Jason.