

BOOK TWO LET GO

1. Bhutan Chapter 5

“To be rooted is perhaps the most important and least recognized need of the human soul.” Simone Weil

2. Emilie Chapter 7

“The world is a den of thieves, and night is falling. Evil breaks its chains and runs through the world like a mad dog. The poison affects us all. No one escapes. Therefore let us be happy while we are happy. Let us be kind, generous, affectionate and good. It is necessary and not at all shameful to take pleasure in the little world.” Ingmar Bergman

3. Julian Chapter 8

In WWII the only black American Infantry Division to fight in Europe was called the ‘Buffalo Division.’ Buffalo Soldiers wore an emblem of a Buffalo on their sleeves. The name came from the all black 9th & 10th Cavalries who fought with the Unionists in the Civil War and later were sent west to keep peace on the frontier and to fight the “Indian” wars. Despite their absence in the movies, over a third of America’s cowboys were black. Native Americans gave these soldiers the compliment of calling them after their sacred Buffalo because they were fierce fighters. In WWII, the segregated troops fighting in Italy retained the compliment.

Braided in Fire: Buffalo Soldiers and Italian Villagers in WWII.
Solace Wales

4. Halcyon Chapter 13

“A Hopeless Jumble.” Over the Rainbow. Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg