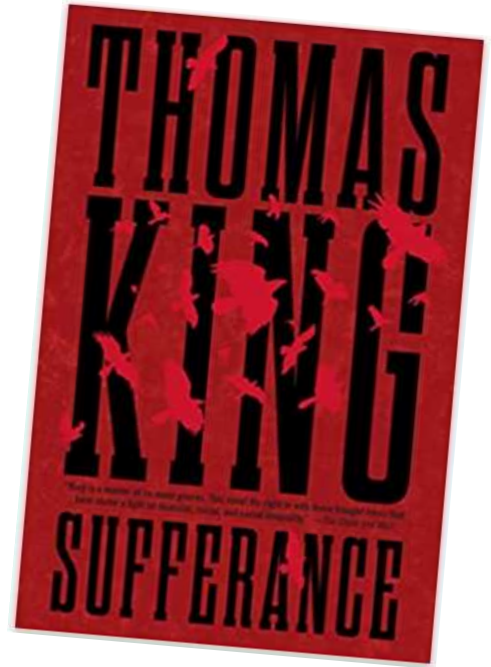


Parkdale United Church  
Zoom Book Club

Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
at 10:00 am

# SUFFERANCE

by Thomas King



**Notice the change in date for this meeting!**

From Amazon: "Jeremiah Camp, a.k.a. the Forecaster, can look into the heart of humanity and see the patterns that create opportunities and profits for the rich and powerful. Problem is, Camp has looked one too many times, has seen what he hadn't expected to see and has come away from the abyss with no hope for himself or for the future.

So, Jeremiah does what any intelligent, sensitive person would do. He runs away. Goes into hiding in a small town, at an old residential school on an even smaller Indian reserve with no phone, no Internet, no television. With the windows shut, the door locked, the mailbox removed to discourage any connection with the world, he feels safe at last. Except nobody told the locals that they should leave Jeremiah alone.

And then his past comes calling. Ash Locken, head of the Locken Group, the multinational consortium that Jeremiah has fled, arrives on his doorstep with a simple proposition. She wants our hero to formulate one more forecast, and she's not about to take no for an answer. Before he left the Locken empire, Jeremiah had put together a list of twelve names, every one a billionaire. The problem is the people on the list are dying at an alarming and unnatural rate. And Ash Locken wants to know why.

A sly and satirical look at the fractures in modern existence, *Sufferance* is a bold and provocative novel about the social and political consequences of the inequality created by privilege and power — and what we might do about it."

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If you're not able to join the meeting, you are welcome to send your comments about *Sufferance* to [sloanelm@shaw.ca](mailto:sloanelm@shaw.ca) **before May 20<sup>th</sup>** so they can be shared with the group and included in our next Book Club Newsletter.

If you think of themes from the book that you would like to discuss at our meeting, you're welcome to pass those on to Lynn ahead of time.