

***Long Way Gone* by Charles Martin**

Sometimes the trip home brings a lot of baggage. That's the case for Cooper O'Connor who left home in a big hurry at age 18, running as far as possible from the family tent-show gospel program his father promoted. Connor took with him his father's guitar and the soul-deep bond with music that he had known his entire life. But Nashville isn't always kind, especially to the naïve.

Charles Martin is very popular right now with EPLD readers. This story is written in three parts, with the last part wrapping back around to the first few chapters. I really enjoyed Martin's telling of this story, a modern take on the prodigal son parable. The library has a number of Martin's books available on CD, as well as in both regular and large print. A DVD copy of the movie, *The Mountain between Us*, which is based on Martin's book by the same title, is also available at EPLD.