



"Do You Ever Doubt God's Goodness? Part 2" Pastor Brad Bigney July 16, 2017

Guidelines: sermon curriculum is designed to help facilitate small group conversation towards application of sermon. You may or may not get through all questions during your small group time.

Sermon Discussion: Psalm 73

- 1. Read and review the main points of the sermon.
a. Admit your doubt and don't wait to unpack it because it involves more than an intellectual problem
b. Resist the urge to isolate yourself.
c. Take a giant step back from your circumstances and see yourself and God in light of something bigger
d. Ask yourself the ultimate heart-revealing question
2. Reflect and Ruminat e on areas that resonated with you:
a. Do you struggle with seeing the prosperity of the "wicked" now vs seeing their "destruction" at the end?
b. How have you allowed Satan and your flesh to "shrink" your sight down to your immediate circumstances instead of keeping the big picture in mind?
c. Discuss the difference between feeling abandoned by God as His child vs. living through it as an unbeliever?

- 3. Renew Thoughts & Replace Actions:
a. "We won't feel different until we start thinking different." How has your wrong thinking affected your feelings as it relates to a difficult trial and circumstance?
b. How can you renew your mind this week by making the bible your "spiritual observation deck" for reality?
c. How does living with eternity in light of your circumstances give you hope?
d. What is there in your life that is a temptation for you to put ahead of God? Hint: think of good God-given desires that have captured your heart more than God. See v25-28
4. Request:
a. What steps of faith and obedience you can take this week to help you change your thinking and actions?
5. Remember the Gospel:
a. God made Jesus to be sin for us in order that we might become the righteousness of God (2 Cor 5:21). Jesus took the wrath deserved for us so that we could be with God forever!

Prayer Emphasis:

- Praise & Prayer: rejoice that you are in the "double-grip" of God's grace (John 10:27-30).