



SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

God of the Dark

Key Scripture: Job 1:6–12

DISCUSSION GUIDE

A common question of many who don't believe—and even some who do is, 'Why do bad things happen to good people?' Or asked a different way, 'How can there be a God when bad things happen?' Pastor Neal shared his response comes in the form of another question: 'Does your belief in an all-powerful creator—whether there is actually a God—completely depend on whether or not your personal circumstances are good?' Looking at the book of Job, we see how bad things happen even when God is in control. And God is a good God. His goodness is not dependent on whether all goes right for us, but in His redemption of mankind. God is good and God is in control. God controls your darkest days.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Think back to Sunday's message. What do you remember? Review your notes if you have them. If you're with a life group, talk with them about anything you found memorable or confusing.
2. What did you learn about Job from the sermon?
3. Read Job 1:12. Who is in control of the situation?
4. Read Psalm 100:5. How does this verse speak to who God is? How have you experienced God in these ways?
5. How do you feel you've dealt with the dark days you've endured so far in your life?
6. Read Genesis 50:20. What do you know about the dark days of Joseph's life? How did God mean them for good?
7. Read Matthew 27:46. What does this tell us about Jesus' darkest day?
8. According to John 19:11, who is in control of what happens to Jesus?
9. What's your biggest take away from Sunday's message and today's discussion?

NOW WHAT?

This week, make this part of your daily prayer:

God, help me trust You.

God, help me trust that your plan is always good.

God, regardless of my circumstances, I will praise you.

