

Growth Group Homework

Reading the week of October 24-29, 2021

Discussing the week of October 24th

GATHERING

1. Does God always promise happy endings to the stories of his people? Why or Why not?

GROWING

1. How would you feel if you were Job after your encounter with God and the restoration of your property and relationships? (Job's cattle are doubled!)
 - Justified
 - Perturbed
 - Confused
 - Blessed
 - Acquitted
 - Humbled
 - Other
2. Do the abundant gifts given to Job make up for the trials he endured? If not, why do you think God blessed Job with so much?
3. Does Job get what he wants from God? How does Job get more or less than he desired?
4. How do you think Job's understanding of God has enlarged since the Satan first encountered him (42:1-6)?

42 *Then Job answered the LORD:*

- ² *"I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.*
- ³ *'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'*
*Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.*
- ⁴ *'Hear, and I will speak;
I will question you, and you declare to me.'*
- ⁵ *I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;*
- ⁶ *therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes."*

5. ⁷ *After the LORD had spoken these words to Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite: "My wrath is kindled against you and against your two friends; for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has. When God mentions (v. 7) that Job has been right, do you think that refers to Job's response to God or that Job has been right all along?*

6. ⁵ *In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers.* Do you think Job's action (v. 15) of giving his daughters a share equal to that of their brothers (not a common practice) and his prayers for his friends (v. 10) had something to do with his trials?

GOING

1. Do you agree with the sentiment, "Being with God is more important than understanding God"? Why or why not?
2. What might we learn from Job about what it means to trust God in all situations?

Prayer Requests:



God of Resurrection, we long for the day when your righteousness will be at home. Our hearts are weary from hearing stories of suffering and pain. Yet, we do not despair. As people of hope, we remember that Jesus did not abandon the cross but took on the sting of death. It is the empty tomb that reminds us that death, evil, and sin do not have the last word. Rather, the empty grave has the last word. Your love prevails. Give us the eyes to see and the words to share about your goodness. We lift this prayer up in the precious name of Jesus. Amen.



Growth Group Community Service Project

We ask every group to take on at least one service project a year (the ideal is two) and to have at least one social gathering (potluck) per half a year. Please consider with your group members of what community service you'd like to participate in. There is a project list made by our church that you can join in and outside the church.
