
COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

OPEN: If you were a fall leaf, what color would you be and why? What stood out to you from the sermon this week?

SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, 4:16-18; Galatians 6:2.

DIG: Jesus learned the right way to suffer. What do these passages teach us about the process of suffering?

Have you ever genuinely cried out to God? If you have, what happened? If not, what do you think would happen if you did?

How have you chosen the path of least resistance rather than choosing Jesus's example of suffering?

Share a time when you prayed but did not receive the answer you hoped for. What did God teach you through that experience?

What could it mean when God doesn't answer your prayers the way you want them to be answered?

CHALLENGE: If you're going through something heavy or burdensome, don't carry it alone! Try these two things: cry out to God and share your burdens with others you trust. We were never meant to do this life alone. Allow God to answer your prayers in His timing and with help from His people.

REFLECT: To get a better understanding of the suffering Jesus endured, and the proper perspective for our own suffering, login to your RightNow Media account this week and watch the 26-minute video *What Jesus Said About Suffering Session 1* by Mark De Haan found under "Bible Studies". If you have not signed up for a RightNow Media account, go to www.mstar.church, click on the orange box on the home page, and fill out the short form to get FREE access.