

Small Group Discussion 11/07/2021

Living With Tragedy (Part 2) sermon by Dr. John Martin

Job

Getting Started

- Have you ever felt experienced so much loss that you struggled with depression?

Static Questions

- **WHAT IS THE PASSAGE ABOUT?**
 - Note the key details (Who, What, When, Where, Why, etc.)
 - Pay attention to the main Facts of the passage.
- **WHAT DID YOU LEARN?**
 - What does the passage reveal about God? About people?
 - Is there a promise or a command or a warning?
 - What is the main truth of the passage?
 - What lessons do you see?
- **HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?**
 - How does this passage relate to your life right now?
 - What change in your thinking or behavior is needed to align with the truths in this passage?
 - How should you respond based on what you learned?

Discussion

- Dr. Martin referred to the “Retribution Theology” that we see acted out in Job as “Proverbs run amok.” Discuss how Proverbs can be misused.
- What were some of the various accusations that Job’s friends made against him?
- What were the contrasts that Job experienced in his life before and after Satan was allowed to test him?
- Why do people take joy in seeing “how the mighty have fallen?”
- Why DID all this tragedy happen to Job? Could it have been avoided? Was it fair?
- What was Job’s response to God in the end? Can we be expected to have that same response throughout our lives?
- What do you suppose the purpose was in Job’s getting back 2x what he had lost?