

COMMUNITY GROUP PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE



MESSAGE RECAP

God uses suffering in the Christian life to make us look more like Jesus and testify to the world that God is real.

INTRODUCE

 Do you recall what you learned about grace last week?


UNDERSTAND

 How does the Gospel bring hope in the midst of suffering?

 Look at 1 Peter 4. What do Peter and Paul mean when they speak of suffering, trials and afflictions?


 Does Peter say the same thing in this passage as Paul does in Romans 5? What should we do in the face of suffering?

 Look at 1 Peter 4:15, when should we not rejoice if we are suffering?

 Look at 1 Peter 4:19. Does it disturb you that it might be God's will for you to suffer in some ways? How did today's message address this reality?

 How can you “entrust [your soul] to a faithful Creator while doing good”?

APPLY

 More than likely you have suffered greatly in your life and may have unresolved feelings about the times where you have struggled. How can you apply today’s message to see those times redeemed?

 What did we say today about the impact of believing truth?

PRAYER NEEDS

Please use this area to write any prayer needs expressed in your group. Commit to pray for these needs & revisit them at the next Community Group meeting. PLEASE RESPECT each other’s privacy & ALWAYS keep prayer requests private within the group unless the person requesting prayer explicitly gives you permission to share.