### LIFE GROUP STUDY

For the week of May 3, 2020 - For Life Groups or Personal Study

### **WHAT DOES IT SAY?**

### Read Romans 8:28.

How do things work together?

Who do they work together for?

#### Read Romans 12:2.

What is the warning given?

How does Paul say we are transformed?

What happens when we make choices with a transformed mind?

## **WHAT DOES IT MEAN?**

Taking into consideration that man has been given freedom of choice, how is God working things together for good sometimes different than God's best?

How do we cooperate with God in the process of working things together for good in any given situation?

### WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO YOU?

Where have you seen God work good in your life during this challenging season?

In this season, have you had opportunities to partner with God for good?

Are there any ways you've found your thinking is conformed to the world during this time?

How do you sense God wants to renew your mind and bring transformation into your life this week?

# **SPEND TIME IN PRAYER:**

Lord, I am grateful that You are at work in every situation. As I think of a specific circumstance going on in my life, show me how You are at work in the midst of it. (Pause and listen.)

How do I partner with you for good? (Pause and listen.)

I am grateful You are my Redeemer. Today I choose to trust You to work all things together for good in my life, because I love You and have been called according to Your purposes. Thank you for the opportunities to see You at work.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

# **CONNECT THROUGH LIFE GROUPS**

#### THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups can be short, 10-week, sermon-based groups that promote spiritual growth through building meaningful Christian relationships and the study of God's Word (Colossians 1.28).

Here's how it happens:

**SHARE:** We share what is happening in our lives.

**STUDY:** We study and discuss the questions on this sermon notes page in relation to Sunday's sermon. Our goal is to apply what we learn.

**SUPPORT:** We do this by: praying for one another, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting needs.

**SERVE:** We do a service project during each quarter we meet. Our desire is to share God's love with others by meeting real needs.

**GO ONLINE to learn more about Life Groups:** find an open group or sign up for a group online: yakimagrace.com/life. Or, stop by the Welcome Center in the Garden Room or call the office at 248-7940

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A Time Of Opportunity

Romans 8:28 & Romans 12:2

Life happens—the good, the bad and the ugly. And in every situation, there is an opportunity to see God at work. Often, we're aware of what He's doing, but when it isn't obvious, what do we do?

- Do we conform to the latest fear being broadcast on the news?
- Do we become discouraged or jump to conclusions?

What if we paused and asked God for His perspective on our situation? What if we asked Him to help us think differently and to renew our minds? He longs for us to be transformed so we can partner with Him in bringing His kingdom, His plan, and His goodness to those around us. As God's people—as a community of believers— we have an opportunity to instigate change. Are you in?