

GOSPEL COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

In the Storm Teaching Series
8/28/22 Introduction



REDEEMER
ROUND ROCK

CONNECT, REVIEW, PRAY

~5-10 minutes

- Announce any church activities/events and handle any housekeeping for the GC
- What are you thankful for / have struggled with this week?
- How did you apply or share what we learned last week?
- How can we pray for each other?

ASK, LISTEN, LEARN

- We typically struggle in four different ways; Worship, Wounds, Warfare, or Weakness. Discuss the differences in these. In what ways are you currently facing storms in your life?
- In your life, have you felt disciplined well for suffering? How so or how not?
- Have you ever experienced suffering in your life that you have later seen God repurpose for good? Share if you feel comfortable doing so.
- What are ways we can be reminded that God is working *all* things for our good, even suffering?
- What things do you typically run to for rescue, during storms in your life? What comfort do you think they provide?
- What truths of the gospel (who Jesus is and what Jesus has done for you) comfort you in storms?
- Do you have any certain scriptures, worship songs, poems, etc. that bring you comfort and reminders of God's nearness in the storms of your life?
- What things typically inhibit your sober-mindedness during storms? In other words, what thoughts or false beliefs cause you to not think in a gospel-centered way about storms when they impact your life?
- Do you find that you trend towards feeling owed by God, or indebted to Him?
- Recall that we can think through facing our struggles in three ways; Head (sober-minded), Heart (right emotions), and Hands (right habits). Which of these comes easiest to you? Which comes hardest?
- Recall the following ways to respond during storms.:
 - Feel your Feelings
 - Tell the Truth
 - Give it to God
 - Phone a Friend
 - Talk through each of these as a group. Are there any you don't understand?
 - If you have time, ask someone to share a real-life struggle and help them to walk through a scenario where each of these steps are properly engaged in a gospel-centered way.
 - How can our feelings lead us astray?
 - What does it look like to Tell the Truth and Give it to God?
 - We can often think that we are bothering other people or that we are being noble when we don't reach out during our storms. How does this hurt us and rob the church of her identity?
 - Who is someone in the church you can call when you are facing storms? Take time as a group and commit to being there for one another, no matter the time. Ensure each person has someone they can reach out to.