

DESERT HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

03.23.25 · Small Group Questions



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03 Jesus experienced deep suffering, yet He remained obedient and trusted the Father's plan (Please read Hebrews 5:8-9, Luke 22:42). How can Christ's example help us endure pain with faith and hope?

04 What practical steps can we take to surrender our suffering to God?

05 If we react to pain incorrectly, whether that's physical or emotional pain, how can it negatively affect our spiritual life?

06 Have you observed someone who reacted negatively to pain or trials in their life? What was the result?

07 In Mark 9:23-24 (Please read), a father cries out to Jesus, "I believe; help my unbelief!" How does this statement describe the internal struggle of faith during suffering?

08 How can we hold onto belief while struggling with doubt in painful seasons?

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