

Conquer | Week 3 Discussion Guide

Title: Conquering Pain

Text: Romans 8:18-30

Big Idea: God will turn our groaning into glory. can

Open Up

Can you think of a Bible story where someone went through deep suffering, but God brought something good from it? What does that teach you about God's character and timing?

Dig In

Read Romans 8:18-21

How is the creation under bondage right now? How do we experience the brokenness of creation in our lives?

What do you believe Paul means by the "glory that is to be revealed to us"? Why do you think Paul claims it is pointless to compare our sufferings with our future glory?

Does that mean our current struggles are meaningless? How can Christians cope with their struggles while keeping an eternal perspective?

Read Romans 8:22-25

How do us Christians groan for redemption? How have you personally experienced inward groaning?

What does the Bible say Christians should have hope in? What does this hope produce in us? How can you implement patience into your waiting and groaning?

Read Romans 8:26-27

How does the Spirit help us in our weaknesses? Have you ever experienced this? If so, how? What did you learn from the Spirit's guidance?

What does it mean for the Spirit to intercede for us? Why is that an important ministry of the Spirit?

What does that reveal about the nature of God? What does that reveal about the relationship we have through the Spirit?

Read Romans 8:28-30

Have you heard people promise that everything will work together for good before? What do they usually mean by "good"? What do you think Paul meant?

How does this promise provide perspective and hope during our struggles?

Close Out

How can you lean into the Spirit in your prayer life this week? How could you provide encouragement to someone you know who is going through a difficult time?

Is there something you're waiting on right now? How can you actively trust God's timing and purpose this week?