

Monsoon Week 4 NOTES

"The storm still came"

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Sometimes we can do _____ and the storm _____

_____. (*Genesis 7:1-6*)

Jesus never said it would be _____. (*John 16:33 & Matthew 7:14*)

Jesus has _____ the _____. (*John 16:33*)

If you're going through the storm:

- God can still be good and things can still be hard.
- Cling to God.
- Cling to your Community.

To help someone through the storm:

- Ditch the platitudes and sit with them in the grief.
- Don't try to fix it, don't try to make it better, but don't leave them alone.
- Get comfortable with the honesty required to get through the storm.

_____ the _____. *2 Timothy 4:7*

To be able to _____ with God requires _____ with God. (*Luke 22:41-44*)

Go Deeper:

1. Noah did everything right and the storm still came. How do you think that made Noah feel? Does that seem fair? Think about a time in your own life where that was the case. What did that look like?
2. Do you think a life of faith should be easy? Why or why not? Should we be spared the storms because we know Jesus? Why or why not?
3. Look at the three statements above about what to do when you're going through the storm. Which one resonates with you the most? Why? Which one do you think would be the hardest to do or believe? Why?
4. Look at the three statements above about helping people through the storm. Which one resonates with you most? Why? Which one do you think would be the hardest to do? Why? What has it looked like when someone has walked through a storm with you?
5. Think about a time in your life you were going through a storm. What did it look like to keep the faith? Was it hard? Why or why not? How did the community around you help you?
6. Read through the Bible verses above. Which one stands out to you the most and why?