

2026-02-11 Discussion Questions

When faced with suffering or loss, do you find yourself worshiping God or worshiping your pain, and how can you tell the difference?

The pastor contrasts Job's response to suffering with Paul's mindset of being a 'dead man walking' - how might adopting Paul's perspective change the way you face dangers or difficulties in your own life?

Job knew intellectually that God sees everything and controls all things, yet he couldn't find comfort in that truth - what prevents us from being comforted by truths we claim to believe?

The sermon suggests we should train ourselves for suffering rather than assume life will only get better - how would your spiritual preparation change if you genuinely expected hardship to come?

When God becomes smaller in our perception and our problems become bigger, what practical steps can we take to reverse that and make God bigger than our storms?

Job begins listing his righteousness and past glory in chapters 29-30 - when have you been tempted to remind God (or others) of your good works when things aren't going your way?

The pastor emphasizes that we fight spiritual battles in God's armor, not our own righteousness - what does it look like practically to rely on Christ's righteousness instead of your own?

Jesus says we must 'change and become like little children' or we'll never enter the kingdom - what specific aspects of childlikeness is Jesus calling us to embrace?

Asaph shifts from despair to worship by remembering God's mighty deeds in Psalm 77 - what specific memories of God's faithfulness could you rehearse when you're overwhelmed?

The sermon warns against blaming God when we suffer, noting that doing so puts ourselves equal to or above Him - how can we honestly express our pain to God without crossing into blame or accusation?