I FEARED A FEAR • Job 3

Job 3:25 What I _____ has come upon me; what I dreaded has happened to me.

THERE IS _____ TO SUFFERING

Job's response to what he is going through:

Why we struggle as we go through suffering:

Suffering as a catalyst:

2Corinthians 4:7-9 We have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this _____ _____ is from God and not from us.
We are hard pressed on every side, but not _____;
perplexed, but not _____; persecuted, but not _____;
struck down, but not _____.

GOD USES YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES TO _____

What had happened to Job's relationship with God?

Job 29:4 Oh, for the days when I was in my prime, when God's _____ friendship blessed my house.
God will do whatever it takes to bring us into an _____ relationship with Himself.

GOD IS WITH YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Isaiah 41:10
So do not fear for _____
do not be dismayed, for _____
I will _____ you
and _____ you
I will _____ you with my righteous right hand

1.Have you ever found yourself just going through the motions of living the Christian life?

What did it take to bring you back to where you think God wants you to be?

2. Read Job 3. As you read it, pick out a few things that stand out to you. Why do these particular statements of Job speak to you most?

3.Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-10, 17-18. In this passage, what does the apostle Paul say sustains him through these difficult circumstances?

What does he say is the ultimate goal of them?

4.Read the following passages: Job 1:4-5 and Job 3:25. What was it that Job feared, and what was his response to his fear?

How can fear dictate the way we live? How does God wat us to live?

5. Read the following passage: Job 9:11; 13:3; 13:24; 19:7: 31:6
What do these verses say about what Job is thinking and feeling like?

6. Read Job 29:4. We see here that Job is reflecting on what his relationship with God used to be like, and how he would love to return to it.
How does suffering have a way of helping us see our need of God and enable us to return to that intimate, personal, relationship with Him.
(Also read 2 Corinthians 12: 7b-10).

7. Read Isaiah 41:10. Pastor Peter said that God gives us five great promises in this verse with regards to anything we are going through in life. What are they, and how does each promise speak to our circumstances

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