



Dig Deeper @Home – “Tough Questions”

Complement to sermon on 8/5/2018 – “Why do bad things happen to good people?”

ICE BREAKER – ask these to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. What has been your best experience from the summer of 2018 so far?
2. If you could spend a day with any famous person, who would it be and what would you do?

MEMORIZE – 1st Peter 3:15

But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect

READ – Job 38-42 (or the whole book if you have time)

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. What does this passage reveal about God? About humanity?
2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life?
3. How would you summarize the LORD’s response to Job? (chapters 38-41)
4. What is Job’s response to the LORD’s answers? (hint: Job 40:3-5 & 42: 1-6)
5. What does God think of the council of Job’s three friends? What can we learn from this? (ch 42)
6. What is the point of the LORD referring to Leviathan (Job 41:1-34) and the Behemoth (Job 40: 15-24)?

Summarize Job 38-42 in your own words:

Testimony Time – Share when something bad has happened in your life. Did you feel God's presence? If so, how? What did the experience do to/for your faith?

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)

10,000 Reasons - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXDGE_IRI0E

Sing with all that you have to a God who is worthy of our praise no matter what is going on in life.

When Peace like a River – Mennonite Hymnal #576

May we all be able to sing “It is well” in the face of anything life can offer.

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

Gracious Father, thank you for your love and patience. May we overflow with praise this week as we reflect on your surpassing greatness. And give us boldness to share with everyone in our lives about your great love and the redemption that exists in you alone. In Jesus Name, Amen.