

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS, WEEK 5

Ice Breaker: Share your favorite story of a pet that you have or have had.

Ice Breaker: What is your most non-useful or “no practical use” talent?

What idea or statement was most helpful to you from Sunday’s message?

Read Job 1:20-22. As we talked about last week, both Job and Jeremiah immediately turned to God when facing difficulty. Job’s reaction was a bit different, however. Why might that have been the case?

In discussing comparisons between Jeremiah and Job, do you think this can better help us in understanding why we deal with different types of struggles in varying ways?

Job says in verse 21, “...the Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.” If you were to, hypothetically, face the level of loss that Job did, would your response be different? Why or why not?

Pastor Adam stated that in Job 2:10, Job was, in essence, saying to his wife, “You didn’t complain when God gave us too much in the way of possessions! Why are you complaining when God allows it to be gone?” How would you compare this statement to your own life, and the value that you place on your own possessions?

Throughout the book, we read of Job’s friends, who maybe had good intentions at one point, however, became less than helpful as time went on. Have you ever had a similar experience with friends? Did that friendship change at all?

Job’s friends erroneously assumed that the reason for his suffering was due to some sin in his life. Have you ever found yourself guilty of this (assuming that the events in someone’s life are a direct result of something they did wrong)? After discussing this message, do you feel any different?