

Use the following growth group discussion questions to deepen your relationship with God, his Word and others.

BREAK IT OUT:

1. Can you share an example of when you conquered fear?
2. What were the key takeaways for you from Sunday?

TALK IT OUT:

3. How would your life be different if you were full of faith instead of fear? What would be different in your marriage, your family, our church?
4. If some of us fear suffering the most, how can we demonstrate that God is ultimately in control in the midst of suffering?
5. Do you believe that God can use suffering to reveal Christ and encourage others? How?
6. If you believed God was sovereign over everything and that he even used your suffering for his good...What would you do first?
7. The Bible teaches us that we have two great privileges: 1) To know Christ and the power of his resurrection and 2) To share in his suffering. Do you believe it? If so, what's the bigger purpose?
8. If God does everything for his glory then what would it look like to suffer well?

WORK IT OUT:

9. Are you suffering in some way? What step can you take to suffer well and to be a witness?
10. The Bible teaches us to carry one another's burdens. How can your growth group help and encourage you?

OUR SECOND GREAT PRIVILEGE?

October 3, 2018 • Pastor Mark Seekins • *2 Corinthians 4:8-18*

In Christ You Will Experience Suffering (8-12).

2 Corinthians 4:8-9

⁸We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed, perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

Don't Let Suffering Hinder Your Witness (13)

Endurance is Possible Because of Jesus (14-15)

2 Corinthians 4:15

¹⁵All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

Remember...Suffering is Temporary (16-18)

2 Corinthians 4:17-18

¹⁷For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸So we fix our eyes not what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

THE **EFFECT** OF FEAR IN YOUR LIFE
IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE **AFFECT** OF FAITH ON YOUR LIFE

NEXT WEEK • CRAFTSMANSHIP - Genesis 1, Psalm 139, Ephesians 2