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TUESDAY

6:00 Pastor's Bible Study in person at Church & Zoom Link forthcoming

WEDNESDAY

6:30 Worship Team Practice at the Church

6:30 Youth Group Meeting at the Church Snacks will be Provided Contact Chris for details

THURSDAY

NO Ladies Bible Study this week NO Men's Group until further notice

SATURDAY

8:00 Reflective Walk Memorial Island

PRAYER

Carl Volgarino Barbara Van Arman Karen Gupton Jimmy Morrison Lynn Lindsey

Henny H. Raams - Mother of Marieke Dam She is recovering from brain surgery.

Please continue to pray for Linda Napier. Her surgery is scheduled for this coming Friday, July 24tth.



Message from Pastor Derrick

Why Do I Suffer When I've Done Nothing to Deserve It

8 Questions We're Scared to Ask from Job #1 Job 1-2

What To Anchor Your Soul Around When God Doesn't Answer

- (1) How We See Suffering and How God Sees It Are Different (1:7-8; 2:2-3)
- (a) How We See It:

From the View of the Text: - Courtroom out of control; why would a judge allow the dastardly prosecutor to rule the court?

From the View of Our Eyes: -

(b) How God Sees It:

From the View of the Text: Judge and Defense Attorney; (1) Judge - providence; (2) Defense - Satan's argument is that Job is faithful only because of his blessings and God knows different

From the View of His Eyes:

- (2) What He Exposes You To He Will Get You Through (1:9-12; 2:4-6)
- a) Job was exposed to the unfamiliar -
- (b) Job was exposed to his accuser Job loves you for purely selfish reasons
- (c) Job was exposed to <u>personal</u>, <u>financial</u>, <u>familial</u>, <u>physical</u>, and <u>emotional loss</u> one of these usually sinks us.
- (d) But Job wasn't exposed to everything he could have been exposed to He still had breath in his lungs.
- (3) How We Deal With the Tension Between Our Faith and Our Personal Experience Matters The Most to God (1:1; 13:15)
- (a) In 1:1, Job's belief in God and his personal experience are in harmony: (1) Job fears God;
- (2) God blesses Job
- (b) In the rest of the book, Job's belief in God and his personal experience are diametrically opposed: (1) Job fears God; (2) God afflicts Job
- (c) But who Job really was at his core was revealed in his darkest days.
- (d) "You can say anything to God. Throw at him your grief, anger, doubt, bitterness, betrayal, disappointment he can absorb them all. As often as not, spiritual giants of the Bible are shown contending with God. They prefer to go away limping, like Jacob, or covered with sores, like Job, rather than to shut God out." (Philip Yancy)
- (4) The Who Always Trumps The Why (1:21; 2:10)
- (a) Faith must live with unanswered questions
- (b) "I don't need to understand everything before I can believe, but I believe so that one day, God, I may understand" -- Anselm

(c) So Here's The Who:

Genesis - Creator;

Exodus - Passover;

Leviticus - High Priest;

Numbers - Water in the desert;

Deuteronomy - He is the curse for us;

Joshua - Land;

Judges - Deliverer;

Ruth - kinsman-redeemer;

1-2 Samuel - Prophet; Priest; King;

1-2 Kings - Greater than Solomon;

1-2 Samuel - Son of David;

Ezra-Esther - he restores:

Psalms - our song;

Proverbs - our wisdom;

Ecclesiastes - our meaning;

SofS - faithful love;

Isaiah-Zechariah - he is the messiah pierced for our transgressions;

Matthew - King;

Mark - Servant:

Luke - Man;

John - Eagle;

Acts - Spirit;

Romans - righteousness of God;

1 Cor-Jude - foundation of truth;

Revelation - Alpha and Omega;

Job - mediator between God and man.





YOUTH GROUP 6:30 Wednesday at the Church Call Chris for Details

Snacks will be Served





One More Thing...

This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith (1 John 5:4).

It is easy to love Him when the blue is in the sky, When summer winds are blowing, and we smell the roses nigh; There is little effort needed to obey His precious will When it leads through flower-decked valley, or over sun-kissed hill.

It is when the rain is falling, or the mist hangs in the air, When the road is dark and rugged, and the wind no longer fair, When the rosy dawn has settled in a shadowland of gray, That we find it hard to trust Him, and are slower to obey.

It is easy to trust Him when the singing birds have come, And their canticles are echoed in our heart and in our home; But 'tis when we miss the music, and the days are dull and drear, That we need a faith triumphant over every doubt and fear.

And our blessed Lord will give it; what we lack He will supply; Let us ask in faith believing--on His promises rely; He will ever be our Leader, whether smooth or rough the way, And will prove Himself sufficient for the needs of every day.

-- from Streams in the Desert