

WHEN TRAGEDY STRIKES

TRANSFORMED BY THE TRUTH

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

What God whispers when we suffer:

■ “ _____ ”

Psalm 34:18

Psalm 103:13

Isaiah 66:13

Mark 1:41

Luke 7:13

John 11:35

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

■ “ _____ ”

Isaiah 53:3

Hebrews 2:17

■ “ _____ ”

Revelation 21:1-5

2 Corinthians 5:1-5

1. What tragedy has been most life-shattering for you? How did you respond to that tragedy—short-term and long-term?
2. Read the passages listed under the first point on your outline. Which of these passages expresses the heart of God to you most powerfully?
3. Read Isaiah 53:3 and Hebrews 2:17. Do you believe God really can relate to us when we suffer? Why or why not?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 5:1-5 and Revelation 21:1-5. How does a clear picture of the future God has promised us help you to endure present suffering? What are you looking forward to on the “line” of eternity?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 12:27 and 2 Corinthians 1:3-4. How do you think God can use you to uniquely express His compassion to those who are suffering? Who do you know that needs to feel His love right now?