

DISCUSSION GUIDE

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1. GOD's character is consistent, it is immutable, that is, He doesn't change, He's the same yesterday, today and forever, Hebrews 13:8. Whether it is discipline or judgment, GOD always has a greater purpose not only for His people but for a lost world as well. Do we tend to view the things that are happening to us and around us in light of GOD's greater purpose or do we tend to view it more selfishly?

2. In these trying times that we are living in, how should the world see us respond?

3. It often seems that our times of trials seem insurmountable. Why does GOD allow such difficulties to come our way? Does 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 gives us insight concerning this?

4. Our Christian faith seems to run counter to man's understanding. Why is it, that we are at our strongest when we admit how weak we are? The Apostle Paul got to the point that he understood that human strength meant nothing, Romans 7:18; 2 Corinthians 12:10.

5. We live in a time and place (USA) in human history where personal independence is paramount and yet is more lost and unfulfilled than ever before. There is actually more joy and freedom in being dependent on GOD rather than ourselves. How can embracing verses such as 1 Peter 5:7; Matthew 6:8; Matthew 6:33 truly change our lives?

6. Can we share this truth with those GOD places in our lives to change them and bring them to GOD, especially if we live out this truth of dependence on GOD?

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