



STUDY GUIDE

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[set up]

Why do people typically say God is good and express faith in God when things are going well in their lives, and then struggle with believing that God is good or waiver in their faith during difficult seasons?

What do the “storms” in life reveal about us? What do they reveal about God?

[digging deeper]

Read Acts 27. Write down and then share one observation that really stood out to you.

In this account of the Apostle Paul’s trip to Rome, where do you see a lack of faith revealed and where do you see faith in the Lord revealed?

- How does God show Paul that He is present during this storm?
- How does God show Paul that He is Sovereign in this storm?
- How does God show Paul that He keeps His promises?

Pick two or three verses from this section and write what they teach us about God’s presence:

Isaiah 41:10 Joshua 1:9 Psalm 23:4 Psalm 139:7-8
Deuteronomy 31:6 Matthew 28:20 Hebrews 13:5

Pick two or three verses from this section and write what they teach us about God’s Providence/Sovereignty:

Proverbs 16:9 Proverbs 19:21 Job 42:2 Romans 8:28
Psalm 138:8

Pick two or three verses from this section and write what they teach us about God keeping His promises:

Jeremiah 29:11 2 Corinthians 1:20 2 Peter 1:4 Hebrews 6:13-18

[living it out]

What is one of the toughest “storms” you have been through?

- How did you see or sense that God was present?
- What helped you believe that God was in charge despite the storm?
- How did you see God keep promises to you while in the storm?

How can what you experienced in the past storms help you in the future storms?

What is a tangible and practical action you can take to help you for the current or future storms (this is a great opportunity to brainstorm as a LifeGroup a list of various ideas and then pick a favorite or two).

Close in prayer thanking God for His faithfulness during storms. Pray and ask that you and those in your group will see God in the storms, be assured that God is in charge in the storms, and experience God’s fulfilled promises in the storms.

* Leader note: This is a good time to promote and explain our upcoming all-church “Living New” series starting September 11th. Help your group commit to weekly church attendance, 13 weeks of LifeGroup meetings, and to doing the daily studies in the “Living New” book. This study is going to help us grow deeper in our faith!