

**This Week's Connection Group Notes**

**fccphx—Sunday, May 17, 2020**

**Where Is God When Life Gets Tough?**

**God's Purpose in Suffering #2:**

**Produce Perseverance, Character, Hope and Faith**

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How is God's Story changing your life?  
How/Who did you serve this week?

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**Word-** Read/Tell/Discuss: **God's Purpose in Suffering #2:**  
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- How much confidence do you have in God in the midst of adversity? How can you increase that confidence?  
(1 John 5:14-15; 1 Pet 4:12-14)
- Can you be better in enduring through adversity? How?  
(James 5:2-8)
- What cares or worries do you need to cast on God? How will you do that? (1 Pet 5:7)

**BIG Idea:**

It's okay to be a little bit crazy. Embrace the adversity and rejoice in the hard times because Jesus is waiting to be made strong in your life and exchange your strength for His!

**Serve/Pray-** (1) Plan your next service project. How will you follow up on those you serve? (2) Divide, men with men & women with women, share a personal need, pray for each other by name.

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