

**This Week's Connection Group Notes**

**fccphx—Sunday, May 10, 2020**

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

***God's Purpose in Suffering #1—Draw Our Hearts to Him***  
**Mother's Day**

**Connect**- How's it going? Did you share the story this past week?  
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 #1—  
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- What does God want us to do when hardship comes?  
(2 Chronicles 7:14)

What does he promise to do if we do?

- Describe how Hannah approached God? (1 Samuel 1)

Have you ever "poured out your soul to God" like this?  
What happened?

- Read James 4:8a. Do you think Hannah's experience is what James is talking about?

**BIG Idea:**

God does not want suffering to ruin us but to restore us to him.

**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.

**Next Week** (May 17): God's Purpose in Suffering #2:  
Produce Perseverance, Character, Hope & Faith

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