

SERMON SERIES: 52
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Sermon Title:

“Does God Care About My Pain?”

Introduction

Last week we had the opportunity to learn more about how Jesus was both fully human and completely divine at the same time. We talked about how the prayer of “Jesus, I believe. Help my unbelief” is a powerful prayer when we are in times of doubt. We’re shifting our focus this week to what the Bible says about the pain we experience in this life, and how Jesus can work through us in it.

- Is your greatest need right now physical, emotional, or spiritual?

Seek the Word

- According to Leviticus 26:1-26, how does (dis)obedience to God’s commands relate to disease and disasters?
- Read Hebrews 12:12-13, James 5:16, and 1 Peter 2:24. How are physical and spiritual healing connected?

Go Deeper

Create a list of both physical and spiritual healings performed by Jesus in the New Testament. List the similarities and differences between each healing.

Talk About It

- Have you ever experienced miraculous healing or known someone who has?
- Why do you think people often prioritize their physical health over their spiritual health?
- Share about a time when caring for someone physically gave you an opportunity to care for their spirituality.
- Is there anything you have been thinking about doing to care for people’s physical needs that could open opportunities to share Christ’s love for them? What would you need to take your next step toward that goal?

Wrap Up

Reminder: Our faith in God doesn’t deny reality, but invites a faithful God to our reality.

Challenge: Do one thing this week to alleviate physical suffering for someone.