

Through The Bible In One Year

The Adventure of Many Lifetimes

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The Surprising Sovereignty And Surprising Compassion Of God Week 35 Small Group Bible Study & Sunday School Lesson

Open (Sharing our Own Stories & Getting To Know One Another)

1. In the film, Bruce Almighty, Bruce is given God's power for a short time - with disastrous consequences. How would we use this control and power? 2. What powers of God cause us to feel awe? 3. What powers might cause us fear?

Going Deeper Into God's Word Together

Read aloud Job 38.1-7; Psalm 46.1-11; 2 Corinthians 5.14-21.

Job: 1. The Lord spoke to Job 'out of the storm.' How does God speak to us in our 'storms'? 2. What is God's tone in these verses? What affect does this have on Job? Does God ever speak to us in this way? 3. What is Job to learn from this conversation? How do these verses affect our view of God?

Psalm: 1. Where is the power of God at work in these verses? 2. Why is it sometimes difficult to 'Be Still and know that I am God'? 3. What reassurances would this psalm give one who is fearful?

2 Corinthians: 1. What hope does a person have if the sinful nature is so strong? 2. In what ways is loving ourselves important in our ability to love others? How would this be evident to others if we did? 3. What would God find so offensive in the sinful acts described in vs. 19-20 that it would keep someone from inheriting his kingdom? What is God's compassionate response to someone involved in any of these sins?

Reflecting On What God Is Telling Us:

1. Where do you see evidence of man's sinful nature? _____home _____work
_____school _____world situations _____self.
2. What is needed to change these situations? What can you do to make a difference?

Applying/Putting Into Practice What God's Told Us

What 'neighbor' needs to know the power of God's love? What will you do to show it this week?