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Q - Where Is God In The Pandemic?

A - He is where He always is, Doing what He always does

God is demonstrating His divine attributes and authority through...

1. His _____ _____ and _____ _____

"The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known. They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world."
Psalm 19:1-4

"You have heard people say, 'Love your neighbors and hate your enemies.' But I tell you to love your enemies and pray for anyone who mistreats you. Then you will be acting like your Father in heaven. He makes the sun rise on both good and bad people. And he sends rain for the ones who do right and for the ones who do wrong."
Matthew 5:43-45

".. He (God) never left them without evidence of himself and his goodness. For instance, he sends you rain and good crops and gives you food and joyful hearts."
Acts 14:17

2. The _____ of _____

"He is not willing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance."
2 Peter 3:9

"Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow."
James 1:17

3. The _____ of His _____

"Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you."
James 1:27

"Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, and you say, 'Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well'—but then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do?"
James 2:15-16

"If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person?"
1 John 3:17

MY NEXT STEP IS TO. . .

- ○ Trust Jesus as my Savior and Lord for the first time today
- ○ Memorize James 1:27
- ○ Commit join us online, as much as possible, each weekend during the "Where Is God?" series
- ○ Get the most out of this series by signing up to join a LIFE group week.
- ○ Pray that God will use COVID-19 as an opportunity to draw many to Jesus

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Discussion Questions - Week #1

LIFE GROUPS

Welcome to the Spring Quarter of Life Groups!

This week we kick off our Spring Quarter of online Life Groups. If it's your group's first time together online, know this will be clunky at the start. It may take a few meetings for it to run smoothly. Hang in there, because connecting with your Life Group online is better than social isolation. Try to practice logging in ahead of time. For the groups using Zoom, there is a call-in option if you need to go that route. Your online meetings may be slightly shorter than in-person meetings. Please be flexible and be patient as your group figures it out.

HOW'S YOUR QUARANTINE EXPERIENCE GOING?

- What is something you look forward to doing once the quarantine is lifted?

- Is there anything that you are grieving as a result of the pandemic?

- What is the biggest challenge you're currently facing?

- What is something you are thankful for this week?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read Daniel 6:1-28. Do you think Daniel wondered where God was when he was thrown into the lion's den?

Have you wondered where God is or what God is doing amid the pandemic?

What was the impact of Daniel's deliverance from the lion's den?

How can you live during this pandemic in order to point others to God?

What can we do to remain faithful when God's deliverance isn't so obvious or immediate?

2. Read Acts 1:8 and 8:1-8. What stands out to you most in this passage?

How did the crisis of persecution change the church?

Can you think of any adverse circumstances in your life that God used for his glory?

Can you think of ways that God's kingdom might advance as a result of the current crisis?

How has the pandemic opened doors for sharing the gospel?

TAKING IT HOME

☞ How can the group be praying for you?

PRAYER REQUESTS