



Godly Confidence

Trusting God When You're Hurting
2 Chronicles 16:11-14

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2 Chronicles 16

11 The acts of Asa, from first to last, are written in the Book of the Kings of Judah and Israel. **12** In the thirty-ninth year of his reign Asa was diseased in his feet, and his disease became severe. Yet even in his disease he did not seek the LORD, but sought help from physicians. **13** And Asa slept with his fathers, dying in the forty-first year of his reign. **14** They buried him in the tomb that he had cut for himself in the city of David. They laid him on a bier that had been filled with various kinds of spices prepared by the perfumer's art, and they made a very great fire in his honor. (ESV)

1. Don't _____ (vv.11-14)

2. Always _____ (v.12)

3. Wisely _____ (v.12b)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Genesis 3:16-19**. While these are certainly difficult words to read (especially because they still apply today), what help is derived in knowing that these things are precisely what God has ordered for the present age?
2. Read **1 Corinthians 15:51-55** and **Philippians 3:20-21**. Why should these verses occupy more of our thinking? How do we hold these in view without becoming unsympathetic about the real problems of the here and now?
3. Read **Proverbs 3:5-8**. How does trusting God "first and foremost" in the midst of our pain bring us "refreshment" even when our illnesses are not healed and the physical pain does not subside?

4. Read **Job 2:4-10** and **James 5:10-11**. What specific motivation can you derive from Job? What is at stake when you are not patient in your suffering?

This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

- Read **Luke 10:29-37**. Knowing God ordains the human means by which people are helped, how can that arrangement keep us going in our selfless endeavor to plant churches in other places and sacrifice for the goals of Compass 20/20?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

November 24th
Ezk. 32-33 & 1Pt. 1

November 25th
Ezk. 34-35 & 1Pt. 2

November 26th
Ezk. 36-37 & 1Pt. 3

November 27th
Ezk. 38-39 & 1Pt. 4

November 28th
Ezk. 40 & 1Pt. 5

November 29th
Ezk. 41-42 & 2Pt. 1

November 30th
Ezk. 43-44 & 2Pt. 2

December 1st
Ezk. 45-46 & 2Pt. 3

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

- Msg. 16-15 – ***Suffering in a Broken World***
Msg. 14-08 – ***Anticipating the Defeat of Disease***
Msg. 12-26 – ***The Creator Knows You (and your difficult trials)***
Msg. 13-29 – ***Confident in His Power to Restore***
Msg. 14-17 – ***Lifelines: For Tough Times***
Msg. 10-19 – ***Looking for the Good When Things Go Bad***
Msg. 19-60–19-61 – ***Why is There Suffering and Evil?*** (a two-part series)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Alcorn, Randy. ***If God is Good: Faith in the Midst of Suffering and Evil***. Multnomah Books, 2014.
Currid, John. ***Why Do I Suffer? Suffering & the Sovereignty of God***. Christian Focus, 2014.
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Mayhue, Richard. ***The Healing Promise: Is It Always God's Will to Heal?*** Mentor Books, 1997.
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Sproul, R. C. ***Surprised by Suffering: The Role of Pain and Death in the Christian Life***. Reformation Trust, 2009.
Watson, Thomas. ***All Things for Good***. (Puritan Paperbacks) Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1986.
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