

February 9, 2020

Equipped

2 Corinthians 1:3-11

1. What's one thing from last weekend's sermon that you hope we talk about as a group?
2. When was the last time you had to call someone and ask for help? Share about your experience.
3. Hardships can come in many different forms; emotional, physical, mental, loss of a loved one, divorce, and health are just a few examples. What hardships have been most challenging for you?
4. Read John 9:1-12. Jot down any insights, questions, or key observations.

B. What does this passage reveal about our God?

5. This last weekend, Pastor Terry talked about our need for a Paraclete (*to call beside, advocate*). Read the poem Footprints in the Sand. What comparisons can we make? Any additional insights?
6. During the sermon, Pastor Terry had us picture what Paul was experiencing during his imprisonment. It was during Paul's imprisonment that he said, "I learned to rely on God." Can you give an example of a time in your own hardship that you learned to rely on God?

B. What hardships are you facing right now, that you need to rely on God or ask Him to come alongside you?

7. There are hardships we face because we are obedient and we also face hardships because of our own actions. Many of us are ashamed of our stories; what we did in the past. How does shame of your story inhibit God working in your life?

B. Is there someone in your life that needs to hear your story today?