

Do you think it is possible to overcome adversity if you have no hope? Why or why not?

What gives you hope in difficult circumstances? Give an example from your own experience.

4. Two contrasting points of the Word are mentioned in the sermon. Do you think every Word has two sides like a coin? Why or why not.

Briefly explain how God's Word divides, or implies contrasting outcomes.

- A. Life vs. Death – *Life to those who believe in Jesus and death to those who reject Jesus.*
- B. Light vs. Darkness – *Light to those who walk with Jesus and darkness to those who depart from the Lord.*
- C. Peace vs. War
- D. Joy vs. Sorrow
- E. Hope vs. Despair

5. How do you know for sure that God is faithful?

Share your experience of God's faithfulness.

In what ways can you be faithful to God?

6. How can God be "good" in view of human suffering?

What has the good Lord done for you?

7. What does Jeremiah say it is good for a man to do (vv.27–30)?

Can you summarize what he is talking about in one word?

What makes this *good*?

8. Lamentation shows the heart of God. What do you think God would lament about the church and professing Christians of our day? Why?

Share what you as a Christian can do for your church and family in faith.

Living It Out:

Praise the faithful God ["Great is thy faithfulness", Thomas O. Chisholm]

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
Great is Thy faithfulness, " Lord, unto me!*