

Living with Certainty in an Uncertain World

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Uncertainty:

- Living in a broken world, we exist in a vacuum that we create.
 - o John 12:31, John 16:12 – Not our World

Suffering:

- All are called to challenges and trials in this place.
 - o Psalm 23:4 – “Our Valley” but His provision
 - o Romans 8:12-13 – A new freedom obligation - transition

Certainty:

- God is our Father, and He deeply cares for you.
 - o John 14:27 – Jesus’ gift to of peace
 - o John 16:13 – Gift of the Spirit
 - o Isaiah 43:2 – God with you - promise

His Purpose:

- You have been created and uniquely designed to be a part of His plan.
 - o 1 Peter 1:6-9 - Refinement
 - o John 15:8 – Produce fruit, Our calling

Our Response in the midst: Prayer, Faith, Confidence, Obedience.

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from the message? Why?
2. What are some ways in which you feel uncertainty today? In your own life? In the world in general?
3. Read John 14:1-6, 15:5, 16:33. What are some ways Jesus sought to give his disciples certainty in the midst of their uncertainty?
4. Read Psalm 23. What are a few ways God has met you in a “valley” with his provision? How has he proven to be near to you during hard or dark times?
5. Do you feel you are in a valley of any kind right now? How can you invite others to pray for you?
6. Read Isaiah 43:1-2. How can you apply the promises of this passage to your experience today?
7. How might God be using a current trial to bring about his greater plan?
8. Spend some time praying for one another to know God’s promises and presence.

