

Brokenhearted

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**Big Idea: Recognize your brokenness and fully give it to God.**

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.
- Psalm 54:18 -

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What did you do for your Labor Day Weekend?
How was it different than previous years?

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Isaiah 53: 6, 1 John 1: 8
Why is it important to realize that we fall short of God's standard?
What could happen if we don't realize we fall short?
What would you say to someone that says they are a good person and don't need to repent?
2. Matthew 6: 19 - 20
What would you say are some problems with living the 'American Dream' and keeping up with the Joneses?
How can things and money let you down?
Have you experienced this?
This passage says to store up treasures in heaven. What are some practical ways to do this?
3. Proverbs 4: 23
What are some things in our culture that vie for the attention of our hearts?
This verse says to guard your heart. What are some practical ways to do this?

4. Isaiah 31: 1
Why was a warning given about trusting in the power of Egypt?
What are some things that we trust in today that could take our focus off God?
How could relying on things/people make us trust God less?

5. Psalm 34: 18
How do you think the Lord saves those who have a crushed spirit?
Has this happened to you or others that you know?

6. Psalm 142: 1 - 2
Why would you say it is OK to complain to God?
What attitude should we have when complaining?

7. Luke 4: 18
What is Jesus' plan to save the brokenhearted?
We are living in a time when there are a lot of people who are struggling due to being isolated, ill, out of work and/or other things. How would you explain to them that putting their faith in Jesus would help them?
How is faith in Jesus different than cultures self help strategies?

8. 1 Thessalonians 5: 11
In what ways can our encouragement help the brokenhearted?
How have others helped you get through some tough times?
How has this group helped you?

CHALLENGE

We are in a time of stress. Admit your brokenness to God and trust Him.

PRAYER

Matthew 11: 28

Jesus tells us to come to Him if you are weary and burdened. Pray for His help.