CLARITY discussion guide

Sunday, May 24, 2020

Easter: Reality of the Ascension Finley Robinson | Romans 8:30-39



BELONG

As a child, what was your greatest fear? Can you think of a "monster under my bed" threat that continually plagued you?

Going Deeper: Some would argue that the Apostle Paul is writing these things from personal experience. How does 2 Corinthians 11:16-33 provide insight into this?

How is this passage related to the resurrection and ascension of Jesus? How can this passage speak into our current crisis situation? How does it offer comfort to us as we navigate many potential threats

and fears?

GROW

Read Romans 8:30-39. How many questions are in the Romans 8:30-39 passage? What is the connecting theme of the questions?

What are some things that people encounter in life that would make them question the love of God for them? What are some things that are ours in Christ that cannot be taken away?

Take a moment to glance over the entire chapter of Romans 8. How do verses 8:31-39 fit into the context of the whole chapter? Paul writes in 8:31, "What shall we say in response to *these things*." What is he referring to here?

One of our greatest needs in life is to feel safe and secure. How does Romans 8:37-39 offer us assurance and security in our faith?

What are some things listed in this passage that cannot separate us from the love of Christ? What in life has made you feel distant from God's love at times? How can this passage help you deal with such times?

How does knowing that "no one or no thing can separate us from the love of God" help you understand Jesus better?

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Monday	John 2:1-25; Psalm 78:15-22; Proverbs 15:1-3
Tuesday	John 3:1-36; Psalm 78:23-30; Proverbs 15:4-6
Wednesday	John 4:1-45; Psalm 78:31-41; Proverbs 15:7-9
Thursday	John 4:46-5:17; Psalm 78:42-47; Proverbs 15:10-12
Friday	John 5:18-47; Psalm 78:48-55; Proverbs 15:13-16
Saturday	John 6:1-21;

Psalm 78:56-62; Proverbs 15:17-20

serve

Thank you for continuing to be the Church even when we can't meet in the church. Many of you have continued to serve your families, neighbors, and community during quarantine in creative and kind ways. Please consider dropping off some extra food for one of our food pantries in Fayetteville. I've heard from the Salvation Army that they need styrofoam to go boxes, plastic cutlery, and napkins as they are serving their weekly meals curbside. You can drop these items off at the shelter.

pray

Pray for global workers, Logan and Emily, that they can determine what country they will be serving in.