



Personal & Group Study Guide: April 10, 2022

Message Series: The Purpose of Pain: How Jesus Makes Sense of Our Suffering

Message Title: FORSAKEN (Part 6)

Series Intro: Why does God allow pain and suffering? Why do bad things happen to good people? Whether you're a believer or a skeptic, these questions are near to all our hearts. With this series, we'll explore these questions in pursuit of God's Truth.

Can you think of a time when you - or someone you care about - felt forsaken by God? What real-life circumstances led you - or them - to feel that way?

What is the definition of *forsaken*?

With this definition in mind, name some of the reasons why many people today may be tempted to believe that this world is God-forsaken.

Read Matthew 27:45-46. Before shouting these words from the cross, Jesus suffered all kinds of physical and psychological abuse, including:

Why do you think it's so hard for many Christians to believe that Jesus was actually God-forsaken on the cross?

3 Reasons to Be Grateful that Jesus Was Forsaken by the Father:

1. _____ was done. (1 Peter 2:24, Romans 6:23)

Your notes:

2. _____ was exposed. (Psalm 22)

Your notes:

3. _____ will never be _____. (Colossians 2:14)

Your notes: