Argyle LifeGroup Study Guide, Luke, part 40, Feb 16, 2020

1. Read Luke 13:1-5 (CSB)

2. Read Job 1:14, Jeremiah 20:18, Psalm 13:1, Matthew 27:46

If godly people like Job, Jeremiah, David and Jesus wonder where God is when they are going through hard times, there's a good chance you and me are going to have to have some ______ too and it's ok.

3. Why do _____ happen to good people?

4. According to the scriptures no one in is really good. Read 1 Kings 8:46, Psalm 14:1, Proverbs 20:9

5. Many times we cannot see God's purposes and so by faith we trust Him especially in the dark times. When you cannot see His hand, trust His ______.

6. Read again Luke 13:2. The religious leaders believed that all suffering was judgment from God because of sin. What you sow, most of the time, you will reap. But Jesus is clearly teaching the Galileans were not reaping judgment by their suffering for the sin they sowed in their life. Discuss what this means.

7. Read Luke 13:5. Jesus isn't saying unless you repent you will be massacred or a tower will collapse on you too. He's saying that we will all live our lives and we are all going to die The choices we make will determine our eternity. Along the way we will all deal with some hard times and some suffering. If we will allow Him, God will use those hard times in our life to shape us and make us what He wants us to be. What does this mean to you?

8. "Why do bad things happen to believers?"

- 1. To confirm our life change is real 1 Peter 1:6-7 (NCV)
- 2. To teach us to trust only in God 2 Corinthians 1:8-9 (NCV)
- 3. To learn how to better obey Him Psalm 119:67, 71 (NCV)
- 4. To remind us of our heavenly hope Romans 5:3-5 (NCV)