IMPACT GROUPS

Week #3 : Jan. 29 - Feb 1., 2019

"The Jesus Trip"

Sermon Date: Jan. 26/27, 2019

Link to sermon:

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If you could pick three famous people to be a part of your entourage, who would you pick?

Interesting Facts:

There are five poetic books in the Bible that each express a desire or a longing for something in and of Christ.

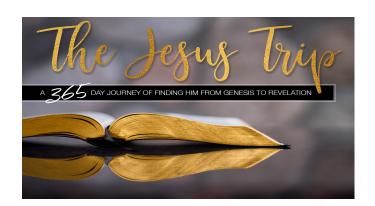
- 1. Job a desire for mediation by Christ.
- 2. Psalms a desire for communion with Christ.
- 3. Proverbs a desire for wisdom in Christ.
- 4. Ecclesiastes desire for ultimate satisfaction.
- 5. Song of Solomon desire for union in love with Christ.

Fun Facts About Job:

- * He lived 140 years <u>AFTER</u> the events of the book (Job 42:16). He therefore had an approximate lifespan of about 200 years.
- * Job's wealth was measured in terms of livestock rather than silver and gold (Job 1:3, 42:12).
- * The land of Uz where Job is from is just south of Edom in Northern Arabia. (Job 1:1). He was not a Hebrew.

Link to weekly reading guide:

http://www.impactlondon.ca/the-jesus-trip/



Discussion Questions

- 1. Job 1:21 says "...Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked shall I return there. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; Blessed be the name of the LORD" (NKJV). What does this imply about God and about life?
- 2. What happens in the prologue that neither Job nor his friends are aware of? What is the result of their ignorance?
- 3. After disaster strikes Job's friends try to help him understand why. Elpihaz argues from <u>experience</u> (Job. 4:7-9). Bildad argues from <u>tradition</u> (Job. 8:8-11), and Zophar argues from <u>religious performance</u> (Job. 11:10-17). What do these arguments sound like today?
- 4. How do each of these arguments or explanations fail to address the issue of suffering and evil from a Christ-centred perspective?
- 5. Job 9:33 "If only there was a mediator between us, someone who could bring us together." What is Job asking for that we actually have?
- 6. How do we see Jesus in what Elihu says in Job 33:23-28? (You may need a translation other than the NLT).
- 7. Through the prologue and the references to Leviathan and Behemoth we see that there are things going on that Job does not understand nor see. What else is going on behind the scenes?
- 8. What do we learn about suffering and bad stuff that happens from this story? What should our response be to those who are suffering?
- 9. What does it mean to say that "God is Jesus ... Jesus is perfect theology." How does this impact how we interpret our lives?

What's Going on At Impact Church

- * Family Group is going tobogganing: Feb. 10, 1:30pm at Doidge Park.
- * Sip Swap Snack: Saturday April 27 contact office if you'd like to help out.
- * Impact Youth Freshwind Conference: Apr. 18-20. \$40.00 due by Feb. 10th.

Email any questions about your readings to: groups@impactlondon.ca