



Coming Back When Tragedy Strikes

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Connect with Others (Choose One)

1. As a child, who was the troublemaker in your family? Who was the peacemaker?
2. How do you tend to react to evil or injustice in the world? What is the first part of your body to serve as an alarm clock that “something’s wrong”?

Commit to Growth

Read Psalm 37:1-40

1. With godly wisdom, David informs us how to react when evil people prosper and are successful because of their wicked schemes, especially if the offense is against us. From each of the following verses (37:1, 7, 8), what are we told NOT to do?
2. Give a contemporary or current example of the situation described in 37:7. This could be something you have heard or read about or a more personal example from your own experience.

3. Considering the definition for fret, why do you think God says not to fret over unjust circumstances? From your experience, what evil or harm (37:8) does fretting lead to?

4. Instead of fretting, how are we to respond when evil people prosper and are successful because of their wicked schemes?

5. Read Psalm 55:22, Proverbs 16:3 and 1 Peter 5:7. Explain in your own words what it means to commit your way to the Lord.

6. Why can we wait on God when the ungodly succeed in their wicked schemes instead of taking things into our own hands? See Psalm 37:2, 9, 10.

7. What people or circumstances in your life do you need to stop trying to change or fix and instead trust, delight, commit, rest and wait? How will you start the process?

Pray