



**JULY 14, 2024 | FATHER STU**

### **BIBLE VERSES**

Hebrews 10:36

Romans 5:3-5

Romans 8:18

1 Peter 5:7

Matthew 27:46

1 Corinthians 15:58

1 Peter 5:10

Galatians 6:9

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. Do you know someone who seems like everything in their life goes wrong? What do you say to that person to encourage them?
2. How has God used a negative experience in your life in a positive way?
3. How do you define “perseverance”? Read Hebrews 10:36 and Romans 5:3-5. Does your definition match up with what these verses say about perseverance?
4. Pastor Will said, “We may enjoy God in our blessings, but we get to know God in our sufferings.” Talk about a time when you’ve gotten to know God better in suffering.
5. Have you ever asked God “Why?” when you or somebody else was suffering? Did you get a satisfactory answer? Have you ever asked God, “What are you teaching me through this? What are you showing me? What do you want to develop in me and through me?” Why do you think these questions are so much more difficult to ask than “Why?” Why do you think these questions are more important to ask than “Why?”
6. Read 1 Peter 5:7. What burden or anxiety do you need to cast on the Lord right now? If you are with your group, stop right now and spend time in prayer together casting your anxieties and burdens on God. Or if you are by yourself, stop right now and pray, casting your anxieties and burdens on God. Ask God to reveal to you his purpose that he’s working out in your life right now.

*“Jesus didn’t suffer so we wouldn’t **have** to. He suffered so we would know **how** to.”*