

WEEKEND RESOURCES | MAY 19, 2024

Week One | Where is God When You Hurt?

USE THESE OUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE DURING YOUR STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.

Message Recap: When you're grieving, when you've got hurt feelings, when you're struggling, remember — Jesus hurt the same way you do. And he feels compassion for people who are hurt. If you've ever felt unsettled, depressed, anxious, or hopeless, remember: God sees you. Cast your hopes, your cares, and your hurt feelings on Him. He cares for you.

Main Points

- God gave us our emotions.
- Jesus felt real emotions just like us.
- God SEES you. He KNOWS what you are going through. He is WITH you.
- Love crosses lines.

Setting Started

• How are you doing? Really? Use the <u>Emotions Wheel</u> to describe how you feel. (You can <u>use this one for the younger people</u> in your life!)

Observation

- Read and reflect on Luke 7:11-16
- What are your initial reactions to this passage? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?



How observant are you of other people's emotions? This week, pay attention to the people around you, in line at the
grocery store, at school pick-up, at your job, in your neighborhood. If someone looks like they're having a rough day,
offer some encouragement and maybe a little bit of humor. Find ways to show compassion to the people around you.



- How can we remind ourselves that God is with us and loves us, even during tough times?
- Read 1 Peter 5:7. What cares and concerns can you "cast" on Jesus this week?
- Let's not draw lines to keep people out. Let's cross lines to bring people in. How can you reach across lines to love others this week?



- This week, use the <u>emotions wheel</u>. During drive time or mealtime, have each person in your family talk through how they were feeling that day.
- Reflect back to this week's message and talk about how much Jesus cares for us.

>> Next Steps and Prayer

- If you haven't already, download the <u>Bible App</u> on your phone and select <u>Eastern Hills Community Church</u> as "My Church." Then, start the <u>Featured "Emotions" plan</u>. You can read on your own or with your group.
- Close by praying that you will feel seen and known and not alone in whatever you face today.