



March 16th, 2025

Sermon: Our Faithful: The Lord is my Portion

Main text: Lamentation 3:21-26

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does this story tell me about God?

2. What does this story tell me about people (or about myself)?

3. If this is God's word for my life, how will I obey it?

4. Who am I, going to tell?

Key points, and quotes to reflect on and discuss from Ryan's message:

Ryan explained that God showed his patience with the Israelites. Regarding scripture God showed, 500 years of patience with the Israelites.

"God's wrath is a just and measured response to evil and unrighteousness, not a capricious outburst, but a consequence of God's holiness and a reflection of his commitment to justice."

Ryan explains that when reading the OT we must remember this is all what happened before what Christ did on the Cross.

Ryan explained that Propitiation is not God over-looking Sin. (Please read John 1:2).

"Propitiation" refers to the act of appeasing or turning away the wrath of God through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, satisfying God's justice for sin and making it possible for humanity to be reconciled with Him.

Hope in Hebrew there 3 kinds...

Qavah (קָוָה) means to wait, look for, hope, expect)

Yakal (יָכַל means to wait or to hope, wait expectantly)

Tikvah (תִּקְוָה) can also mean certain hope). (This one is the Hope referred to in our text today.)

What is your relationship with Hope? (Each of us have a relationship with hope).

"Hope is one of humanity's most Powerful emotions."

This below picture is related to God reminding Ryan of Hope in a time in his life. Of God sitting on the Throne:



"There in the mist of it all we have hope because God sits on the Throne over all the universe."