



Week 2 Forgiveness

Psalm 103:10-14

Starter

If there were a documentary about your life, what would be your favorite scene? Why? What about your least favorite? What do you do with those dark moments? Do you hide, ignore, or fight?

The book of Psalms is a collection of songs and poetry that reflected a wide range of emotions and understanding regarding the character of God. The psalms were written by shepherds, kings, priests, and normal everyday people. They help us to understand how to pray and express our own emotions toward God.

Read Psalm 103:10-14

Before we get into some questions about this passage. Take a second to read the passage again to yourself. Underline or circle any word or phrases that stuck out to you.

What words or phrases stuck out to you in this passage? Why?

Verse 10 says, "He does not deal with us according to our sins. Nor repay us according to our iniquities," what is the Psalmist saying here? What would it look like for God to deal with us according to our sin?

How does God's love play into how he handles us and our sin?

Did your father show you compassion? What did that look like? If not, what was that like? Similarly, if you are a father, how do you show compassion to your children?

What is the condition for God's compassion?

How do you feel about this condition? What does it look like to fear God?

How can you practice the fear of God?

How did Jesus echo this psalm?

How can you practically reflect God's character of forgiveness and mercy? Who do you need to forgive? Who do you need to show compassion to?

According to this passage, why did Jesus have to die? What did he accomplish when he died?