

God is Greater Than...

“God is Greater Than My Disappointments”: Psalm 77
October 9, 12-13, 2013: Cam Huxford, Senior Pastor

Rather than an answer, the Bible usually gives us a path to take as we think and trust our way through disappointments.

Different Kinds of Psalms:

- Thanksgiving Psalms
- Enthronement Psalms
- Pilgrimage Psalms
- Wisdom Psalms
- Imprecatory Psalms
- Psalms of Lament...which comes from the Latin word for weeping.

Question: How do you talk to God when something has so completely broken your heart that you don't know if you'll ever recover? Answer: Honestly.

When You Are Disappointed:

1. Be Realistic About Prayer.

There is a word that is used in the Bible to describe these seasons when God seems to be silent: Mystery.

2. Refocus On God's Character.

Asaph focuses his thinking on other times in Israel's history when it seemed like God was doing nothing.

Joshua 3:15-16

3. Remember That God Is Working “Upstream” Even When You Can't See What He's Doing. *Hebrews 13:5*

4. Resist the Temptation to Stop Learning. *James 1:2-4*

There are some things we only learn when we're disappointed.

Disappointment is where you earn your MSM – Masters in Spiritual Maturity.

I'm so sorry, God knows and He is here, God understands, God loves you...and so do I.

Five for the Drive

A family conversation starter for the ride home

1. Can you think of a time when you felt disappointment towards God?
2. How have you seen people respond when they are disappointed with God?
3. Is there a disappointment you are wrestling with God about today and how is it affecting your attitude towards Him?
4. What steps can you take to nurture your relationship with God during times of disappointment?
5. What events from your past can remind you this week of God's faithfulness to you?

Ministry Opportunities

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

Faith & The Ethics of War Workshop

3 – 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27

Worship Center

Soldiers who follow Christ face conflicting calls to kill, to protect those who are vulnerable and to forgive. Join Cam Huxford for an encouraging, interactive look at how the Bible speaks to warriors. Find peace and resolution in the lives and writings of great warriors from Scripture. Registration is required for childcare but not for the workshop. For childcare, please register at the Ministry Table in the lobby or email Melody at MPullin@SavannahChristian.com by Monday, Oct. 21.

Family Fishing Day

7 – 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 19

Henderson Lake

This is the last Family Fishing Day of the year! Bring your fishing gear and spend the morning with your family at Henderson Lake. Invite friends and neighbors who aren't connected with the church to come and join in. Sign in and fill out a liability waiver at the table by the lake when you arrive. Catch and release only. You will need your own equipment.

Journey Serve Day

8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26

Field behind The Link across the lake

Five weeks after this Serve Day, The Journey will be getting ready to open. The Journey is our largest outreach event of the year. It's an outdoor production that authentically recreates the night Christmas began, including the town of Bethlehem, brought to life by hundreds of volunteers in costume. In 2011 – the last year we produced The Journey – over 17,000 people came. This year we are expecting even more, which is why we are completely rebuilding our set. This Serve Day we will be putting up the walls of Bethlehem. Join in and see the set come to life! Please bring your tools and equipment. Lunch will be provided.

2013 Giving and Attendance Through September

Average Weekly Attendance: 7,452

Year-to-Date: General Giving: \$10,710,786 **Faith Promise (Global Outreach):** \$818,963

Online and Connection Kiosk Giving (28.9% of total giving), \$3,517,694

Transfers and Baptisms: 1,183

Relentless Capital Campaign received: \$8,427,389

Relentless Capital Campaign pledged: \$9,144,954