

Life's Not Fair: Roller Coaster

Psalm 73:16-24

November 11, 2012

Reminders

- **Talk about what everyone is doing over Thanksgiving.** Will your group meet that week? Will you serve? Is anyone in town and needs a place to go for dinner?
- **Winter Coat/DVD Drive** – see The City for more info
- **Encourage your group to read Psalm 73**

Remember

What have you been learning from your study of Psalm 73?

What stood out to you during our worship gathering?

When Brian talked about Asaph's perspective, how do you find yourself getting tunnel vision? What are some issues that you seem to lose perspective around?

Deepen

One of the things giving Asaph problems is that God is in control of the universe and He is blessing the wicked with prosperity while the pure in heart suffer. When you think about God's rule over the world in reference to wealth and power, how does that cause you to lose perspective?

Read 1 Chronicles 29:10-13

How does this passage speak to this?

Why is this important to remember?

Asaph gains perspective when he worships alongside God's people. At Exodus, we value two primary pieces of what it means to be a church together. Those are our Worship Gathering and our Community Group. How does being with the people of God in worship and community help our perspective?

Read these passages and discuss the following questions

- Colossians 3:12-17
- Hebrews 10:19-25
- What are some commands given to the church in these passages?
- What are the responsibilities of those who are part of this kind of community?
- How would your living in this kind of community work to give you perspective when life is hard?
- What do we as a group need to do in order to better live out these passages?

Transform

Read Psalm 73:23-24.

Of the benefits Asaph lists, which one is most sweet to you? Why?

Brian asked, What do you need in order to gain perspective? The options were confession, counsel (God's Word) and community. What about you?

How can we as a group encourage one another in this?