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I WANT TO BELIEVE, BUT... - 4 HEARTLESS GOD

WHEN GOD DOESN'T SEEM FAIR

1. GOD HAS A _____ IN YOUR PAIN.

...*There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while. ⁷ These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world.* 1 Peter 1:6-7 NLT

2. GOD IS _____ IN YOUR PAIN.

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1

But [God] said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness...” 2 Corinthians 12:9

...*Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. ¹⁰ That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.* 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

[God] does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Psalm 103:10-12

All scriptures are NIV unless otherwise noted.

Experience the scriptures referenced in today’s message and much more by downloading the free YouVersion Bible App for your smartphone or tablet at www.bible.com/app.

TALK IT OVER

Get all the questions at www.life.church/talkitover

- Have you ever asked God, “How could You let this happen?” What life events led to your question?
- Craig said, “God doesn’t always cause the pain, but God can always use it.” How have you seen this play out?
- Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. What difficulties can you begin to view from this Scripture’s perspective?
- Read the *When God Doesn’t Make Sense* Bible Plan this week: www.go2.lc/whengod

Find a full-length Talk It Over guide and other resources for your small group at life.church/talkitover.



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Welcome to

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We're so glad you're here! Life.Church wants to make a lasting difference in your life, in our community, and in the world. How do we do that? By leading people to become fully devoted followers of Christ.

We are one church meeting in eight states and globally online. Each campus has its own campus pastor and staff who would love to get to know you and help you grow closer to Christ. Please let us know how we can pray for you, help you find a place to serve, connect you to a LifeGroup, or tell you more about how you can make a difference in our community!

Want to know more? Visit our website at www.life.church

Schedule of Events

Baptism

February, 11-12

All Weekend Worship Services

Alpha

Sunday, February 19

9:30-11:00am

Night of Worship

Thursday, February 23

6:30pm

Switch & Roots

Wednesdays

6:30-8:30pm

Weekend Worship Services

Saturdays: 4:00 & 5:30pm

Sundays: 8:30, 10:00, & 11:30am, 1:00 & 6:00pm

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Campus News

30-Second Theology

The best TV commercials soak up our time, attention, and sometimes, our money. They can make us think, laugh, gasp, or even cry. But is there anything to learn from those half-minute ads? We think so! Don't miss *30-Second Theology* at Life.Church, **February 4 & 5**—it's your only chance to catch this special message!

Come to Worship

On **Thursday, February 23 at 6:30pm**, people from every Life.Church location will come together for **Fully Devoted | A Night of Worship**. You won't want to miss this all-church event with a special message from Pastor Craig. LifeKids will not be provided, but children are welcome.

Divine Direction Books on Sale

Craig's latest book, *Divine Direction: 7 Decisions That Will Change Your Life*, is on sale in the lobby today for a special price. Buy one for \$10, get one free to give away! (Limited time offer. Cash, check, and cards accepted.)

Next Steps

Celebrate Your Commitment to Christ

Baptism is a public celebration of your decision to follow Christ. Join us for **Baptism Weekend on February 11-12**. All Life.Church locations will be baptizing this weekend during the biggest party of the year! Sign up on your app today.

Alpha

Are you someone, or do you know someone, who is curious about God and faith, has a new relationship with Jesus, or is returning to church after being away for a while? Alpha is for you! This 8-week course begins **Sunday, February 19, 9:30-11:00am**, in the East Room. Sign up at go2.lc/okcalpha or contact brian.word@life.church for more information. LifeKids ministry is available for ages birth-5th grade.

Honoring God With Our Generosity

God created us to be generous. Grow your generosity in 2017 with scheduled giving. Visit www.life.church/giving online or the Life.Church app to schedule your regular tithes and offerings today.

For You

Do you want to know God better and become who He's created you to be? Here are some places to start:

- **Grow better together:** Join or start a LifeGroup to build friendships with people you can laugh, grow, and serve with. LifeGroups can meet anywhere and any day of the week. Search for groups online at www.life.church/lifegroups or visit the LifeGroups area in the lobby.
- **Make a difference:** God can use your gifts and skills to change lives. To get started serving at Life.Church, visit www.life.church/serving. You can also take part in opportunities in our community or around the world through Church Online. Learn more about these opportunities at our Info Area in the lobby.
- **Discover your purpose:** Each of us has a unique purpose – a *chazown* – that's solely ours to fulfill. Uncover yours at the next Chazown Experience at our campus. Get more details online at www.life.church/chazown.

For Your Family

We believe strong families start with a solid foundation. We partner with parents to raise the next generation of fully devoted followers of Christ.

- **LifeKids & Loop:** While you're in church, your kids get to enjoy an experience just for them! Each weekend, kids birth—6th grade learn about Jesus through videos, music, activities, stories, and small group time. For fun learning at home or on the go, visit us online at www.lifekids.tv.
- **Switch & Roots:** On Wednesday nights, we offer experiences designed just for students. Loaded with live worship, great teaching, and engaging small groups, Switch (6th—12th grade) and Roots (5th grade) will help lead your student to become a fully devoted follower of Christ. Get connected online at www.life.church/switch.

For parenting resources and ideas, go online to resources.life.church or stop by the Info Area in the lobby.



Communication Card

January 28 & 29, 2017

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

☐ I'm visiting Life.Church for the first time

My Decision Today



☐ I'm committing my life to Christ



☐ I'm renewing my commitment to Christ

Congratulations on your decision to commit your life to Christ! Here's what's next:

- Fill out this card.
- Visit www.life.church/next to learn more about your next steps.
- Consider baptism. (Check the box below to get more information.)



☐ I want to know more about baptism

My Next Step

☐ Sign up for Baptism (February 11 & 12)

☐ Lead a LifeGroup

☐ Find a LifeGroup

☐ Serve in LifeKids

☐ Serve in Switch



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