



Romans 5:8-11

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Connect with each other in joy and concern

- As time allows, general conversation about the sermon is welcomed.

Discussion Questions

- Reflect on or share instances in your life, or the lives of others, where you have witnessed:
 1. unlikely events
 2. overcoming significant challenges
 3. defying seemingly insurmountable odds
- How do these experiences reflect the theme of Easter and the message of hope?
- How might the perception of Easter as a "death-obsessed" holiday cause distress to those who hear it? How might we practice being more sensitive story-tellers?
- Discuss the concept of salvation as a process that encompasses past, present, and future experiences. Where is there evidence of God's love, mercy and grace in each of those marks of time?
- Reflect on the idea that Jesus' death and resurrection was only about sacrifice and success, but also about demonstrating God's love that empowers us to overcome. In what area of your life do you desire to be an overcomer and to learn a new way of living?
- Discuss any obstacles or doubts you may have encountered in embracing the Easter story or accepting God's love. How can the message of defying odds and overcoming challenges provide encouragement in these moments?

Closing Prayer

