

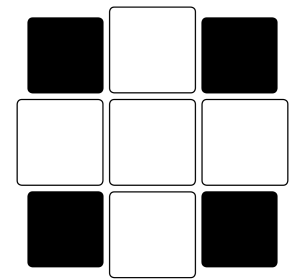
He Intercedes

Scripture: Romans 8:26–27

Series: The Holy Spirit

Sunday, June 22, 2014

Corroborating Texts: 1 Samuel 16:1; Psalm 16:3; Psalm 139:1, 23; John 17; 2 Corinthians 1:1



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Overview

Because the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we have hope in our weakness.

Discussion Questions

1. When you feel inadequate or weak, how do you normally respond? Why do you respond this way? Is it okay for you to be weak? Why is it okay or not okay? What does an honest understanding of our weakness protect us from? [pride]
2. How is it that all of us as created beings are weak? [our fallen nature] How do we see this in the world? How do we see this in Church history? [persecution] How do you know this in your life? What are indicators of your fallenness?
3. Who is our adversary in this world? [Satan] Who is stronger, apart from Christ, Satan or us? [Satan] What does this mean for how much we should be wary of him? Are we wary of him? Why or why not?
4. Where does weakness manifest itself? [our prayer life] What are you praying about right now? What's your prayer life like right now? Why do we seem to pray more when we are more aware of our weakness?
5. What is our assumed picture of a saint? What is the Scripture's picture of a saint?
6. Look at Romans 8:26–27. What does the text mean by "groaning to deep for words"? When is it that we groan? When was the last time you groaned in your prayers?
7. What gives us assurance that we can endure our weaknesses and our weak times? [God knows us (Romans 8:27)] Who knows you best in this world? Tell us how that person knows you best. Celebrate that God knows you even better.