

SUMMERSONGS

Week 4: Interlude

INTRODUCTION

Sometimes it seems that the good guy loses and the bad guy wins. Sometimes it seems like doing the right thing doesn't really matter or even makes the situation more difficult. But in these times of delayed promise we must know that it doesn't mean God is distracted or doesn't care. We must remain patient and remember that God is never late, God's timing is perfect, and God is perfectly just... and that *Today's actions and attitudes become tomorrow's consequences or blessings*.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever sat through a long interlude at a concert or program you attended? If so, talk about where you were and what kind of awkwardness or anticipation you experienced.
2. Has there ever been time where you felt like your spiritual life had an interlude? A time where it seemed as if God was blessing everyone around you but had completely forgotten you?
3. Have you ever felt like doing the next right thing in the next right way was not paying off? If so, during that experience did you look around and see others who were not doing the right thing seemingly flourish? How did this make you feel? What did it do to your faith?
4. In [Psalm 37](#) David sings about seeing the wicked flourish and how he was tempted to be envious or jealous of what they had. Read verse 2 and talk about why David said we should not worry or be envious in these situations.
4. In the message, Jon said: "*Today's actions and attitudes become tomorrow's consequences or blessings*". Have you experienced this to be true in your life? If so, talk about some consequences and/or blessings you have seen based on your actions and attitudes in given situations.
5. Read [Psalm 37](#) and talk about some of the promised blessings you find that could be an encouragement to you during this time in your life.

MOVING FORWARD

In Psalm 37 David sings about these amazing promises he himself has received. He teaches us that in the moments of life where we feel like we have been waiting and waiting and waiting on God and those around us who could care less about God's will and way seem to be the ones receiving all the things we are waiting on; David reminds us to not lose heart, to not become fearful, to continue being patient because...

- God is never late
- God's timing is perfect
- God is just

We must remember that ***God does not measure time, He measures growth. He releases His blessings in proportion to the amount of character we have allowed Him to instill in us during faith's interludes.***

CHANGING YOUR MIND

The blameless spend their days under the LORD's care, and their inheritance will endure forever. In times of disaster they will not wither; in days of famine they will enjoy plenty. -*Psalm 37:18&19 (TNIV)*