## **Divin' In** – Wednesday Night Bible Study

THE CHURCH OF THE SPRINGS - 8/30/23

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; He rescues those whose spirits are crushed.

- Psalm 34:18

# Source of Comfort



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#### Psalm 53:1-3 TLB

"Only a **fool** would say to himself, 'There is no God.' And why does he say it? Because of his wicked heart, his dark and evil **deeds**. His life is corroded with sin. But all have turned their backs on Him; they are filthy with **sin**—corrupt and rotten through and through. Not one is **good**, not one! God looks down from heaven, **searching** among all mankind to see if there is a single one who does right and really seeks for God."

### Romans 3:10-12,14-15 TLB

"As the Scriptures say [above, Psalm 53], 'No one is good—no one in all the world is **innocent**.' No one has ever really followed God's paths or even truly **wanted** to. Every one has turned away; all have gone wrong. No one anywhere has kept on **doing** what is right; not one. Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness. They are quick to kill, **hating** anyone who disagrees with them."

#### **ROMANS 5:3b-4 VOICE**

"....We also celebrate in seasons [episodes] of **suffering** because we know that when we suffer we develop endurance, which shapes our **character**. When our characters are refined, we learn what it means to hope and **anticipate** God's goodness."

#### Habakkuk 1:3-4 TLB

"Must I forever see this sin and **sadness** all around me? Wherever I look I see oppression and **bribery** and men who love to **argue** and to fight. The law is not **enforced**, and there is no justice given in the **courts**, for the wicked far outnumber the righteous, and bribes and trickery prevail."

#### John 16:33 TLB

"I have told you all this so that you will have **peace** of heart and mind. Here on earth you will have many trials and **sorrows**; but cheer up, for I have **overcome** the world."

#### 2 Corinthians 1:3-5 TLB

"What a wonderful God we have—He is the Father of our Lord Jesus the Christ, the source of every mercy, and the One who so wonderfully comforts and strengthens us in our hardships and trials. And why does He do this? So that when others are troubled, needing our sympathy and encouragement, we can pass on to them this same help and comfort that God has given us. You can be sure that the more we undergo sufferings for Christ, the more He will shower us with His comfort and encouragement."

#### Job 36:13-15 NLT

"For the godless are full of **resentment**. Even when He **punishes** them, they refuse to cry out to Him for help. They die when they are young, after **wasting** their lives in immoral living. But by **means** of their suffering, He rescues those who suffer. For He gets their attention **through** adversity."