

UNRAVELING

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LIFEGROUPS

Series: Unraveling

Bible Focus: Isaiah 49

Date: Oct. 15 & 16, 2016

—[LET'S TALK]—

- If you could give one piece of advice to the next generation, what would it be and why?

—[CHOOSE 1 SIDE]—

—[LET'S WARM UP]—

- Why do people think religion is a "crutch?" What do you think?
- Do you ever wonder if God is really looking out for you? Why or why not?

—[LET'S WARM UP]—

- If there is hope in the return of Christ, what hope do we have right now?
- Can the world really get better? Is there hope for a better future? Why or why not?

—[LET'S DIG]—

- Read John 2:23-3:21, Acts 15:5-11, and discuss how deeply God knows us.
 1. How much does God know vs. how much we know about us and our hearts?
 2. Does it comfort or worry you that God knows your heart? Why?
 3. Fully knowing our hearts, how does God treat us? How do we treat ourselves and others without full knowledge?
 4. What conclusions does Peter come to in Acts 15:8-11? What does this mean for us today?

—[LET'S DIG]—

- Read Romans 5:1-11 and discuss hope and suffering.
 1. What does it mean to boast in the hope of the glory of God?
 2. What is this hope, and why can we be confident in it?
 3. How are hope, suffering, and God's love all connected here?
 4. Why are perseverance and character necessary for suffering to produce hope?

—[LET'S ACT]—

- Jesus said that in this life we will have trouble. There will be times when we are in distress. Work on an action plan for yourself for the next time trouble comes. Brainstorm ideas with a friend, write down different promises from God, and make a plan to hold fast to God and trust Him when life gets tough.

