



Why Am I Suffering?

Job 4-27

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The Theology of Job's Friends

- God is absolutely _____.
- Since God is just, He _____ rewards the righteous and punishes those who sin.
- If you suffer, you must have _____ and are being justly punished by God for your sin.

Is the Theology of Job's Friends Right?

- Sometimes suffering is a result of personal _____ in our lives.
- Other times, suffering is _____ a result of personal sin in our lives.
 - In this life, the wicked often _____.
 - In this life, the innocent often _____.
 - We can't _____ a person's spiritual condition by whether or not they're suffering or being blessed.
- Even though God doesn't always execute justice _____ in this life, He will execute it on the day of judgment that's to come.

Three Takeaways for Our Lives

- When we suffer, we need to be careful of always thinking that we're suffering because of some _____ in our lives.
- When we suffer (and counsel those who suffer), we need to be careful of overemphasizing one _____ about God at the expense of all the other truths about God.
- When we suffer, there might not always be a direct _____ for our suffering but there is always a divine _____.

Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today and pray that you feel welcome. If you have any questions about our church, the service, sermon or anything else, we would love to talk to you! Stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby or talk to one of the elders. We'd also encourage you to complete a Visitor Information Card, which is located at the Welcome Table.

Game Night

Friday, Aug. 10 / 6:30 p.m. / Sanders' House (9641 Riggs, OP)

Mike and Rita Sanders are hosting a game night this Friday. Feel free to invite friends and bring your favorite games and a snack. Please let Mike or Rita know if you plan to come.

Ministry Opportunity: ESL Class

Saturday, Aug. 11 / 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Bales Avenue Community Church (3414 E 12th St, KCMO)

You can bring the love of Jesus to refugees in Kansas City by helping them learn English. If you would like to help with conversations, transportation, hospitality, or childcare, please contact Mallory Barks (mallory.barks@gmail.com).

Prayer Gathering

Sunday, Aug. 12 / 4-5:30 p.m. / Indian Woods Middle School

Make plans to attend our August Prayer Gathering. This will be a great time of praying for our church and needs within our congregation, and hearing how God is at work among the members of CFC.

Ministry Team Needs

Are you looking for a way to serve and use your gifts at Cross Fellowship? There are a couple of ministry teams that need you.

- The Hospitality Team needs 2 people to serve as greeters for our Worship Gatherings on Sunday. Contact Tim Vance for info if you are interested in serving in this way.
- The Musical Worship Team needs 3-4 people to run the slides during our Worship Gatherings on Sundays. Contact Veronica Losh if you are interested in serving in this way.

Email Newsletter

Have you signed up to receive our weekly email newsletter? If not, simply go to crossfellowshipchurch.org, click the "Sign Up" button near the top of the page, and fill in the form. This is the best way to stay up to date on what's going on at Cross Fellowship Church.

Sunday Morning Offering

Unlike most churches, we do not pass a collection plate each Sunday to collect your financial gifts and offerings. Instead, if you would like to financially contribute toward our church-related ministries, you can do so in the offering box located in the back of the room. Thank you!

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Discipleship Communities

Our discipleship communities, or small groups, are the primary place in which we seek to live as disciples together who love God supremely, one another humbly, and the world sacrificially. Please join us!

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