

Wrestling With God

Weekend Discussion Questions
July 4-5, 2015

Community:

1. Has your life been like a roller coaster lately? What has been fun? What has been hard?
2. When you're in a *"barely hanging on"* moment in life, where do you look for God?

Core:

1. Share a time when you have wrestled with God. What was the most frustrating or challenging thing about it?
2. Why is it okay, or not okay, to be angry, disappointed or frustrated with God?
3. If wrestling with God isn't sinning, why do we have a tendency to run from Him instead of bringing our questions, doubts and struggles to Him?
4. In what way do you think praying *"not my will but yours be done"* is a safe umbrella where we can wrestle with God?
5. **Read: Mark 14:36.** Jesus asked God to save Him from what He knew was coming. Why didn't God save him? What does this mean for you—and all the followers of Jesus?
6. How do you trust God when life's circumstances make it feel like He doesn't love you?
7. Do you have a hard time forgiving yourself? Why or why not?
8. **Read Psalm 22.** Can you relate to David—as he seems to bounce back-and-forth between pleading with God and praising Him?
9. What is your typical first response to God when you are in a tough situation?

Challenge:

1. Take time this week to read through Proverbs 3:1-12. Then, think and meditate on your answer to Question 9—and how you usually respond to God.
2. What would it take for you to wake up every day and completely trust God with all of your heart? As you wake up each day this week, focus on what is holding you back from trusting God completely—asking God for His help in understanding and dealing with this.