



God is Bigger
“From the Depths” Series
Lamentations 2
May 3, 2020
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Introduction

In this passage God teaches us how to move toward lament, and that God is bigger than our suffering.

The Text: Lamentations 2

1) A brief orientation to Lamentations 2.

2) Lament is something that Christians must learn.

(a) As we seek to minister in the church and community, we must learn to lament for others.

(b) As we seek to grow spiritually, we must learn in times of difficulty to apply and practice lament.

3) God is bigger than the questions and cries of our lament.

Response

As apprentices of lament, we are learning that God is bigger than our suffering, our situation, and our story.

Sunday Text Questions for Lamentations 2 (“From the Depth” Series)

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- 1) Starter Question: Have you ever been angry or upset with God? If so, how did you respond to him?
- 2) Read all of Lamentations 2. What is your reaction to the chapter as a whole?
- 3) How does vv. 1-5 describe the actions of God against Jerusalem and his people? Look closely at the text.
- 4) Which of those descriptions, if any, make you uncomfortable or raise questions in your mind?
- 5) How does the rest of Scripture help balance or answer questions about God that might be raised by this text?
- 6) How does vv. 11-13 show a shift in the author’s perspective, from dispassionate description to weeping for the people?
- 7) How might lament be an appropriate response to another person’s suffering or tragedy?
- 8) How can we, as Christians, empathize more with people around us, trying to relate to them in their suffering?
- 9) Since God inspired Scripture, why would he write books like Lamentation that show us and teach us how to offer our complaints and present our suffering to him?
- 10) What has the book of Lamentations taught you thus far about lament?

Further study this week: Read through all of Lamentations this week: Lamentations 1 (Mon); Lamentations 2 (Tues); Lamentations 3 (Wed); Lamentations 4 (Thurs); Lamentations 5 (Fri).

