

Week 39:
Acts 28:1-10

ACTS²

Snake Charmer Gospel

TODAY'S VERSES:

Acts 28:1-10

John 3:14-15
John 10:14-15
Psalm 23:1-3
Psalm 78:71-72
Micah 5:2
Matthew 2:6
Ezekiel 34
Matthew 27:46

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BIG IDEA:

It is far too easy for Christians to view their life through a lens of karmic justice. It is also far too easy to live in a works-based approach to faith and life. This is why when bad things happen it does not necessarily mean we deserved it, it can mean that God wants to grow us. God knows our pain and is our Shepherd through all that happens.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

When was the last time you mis-judged someone and were wrong?

When was the last time someone mis-judged you and were wrong?

What aspect of your life do you view as “perfection,” like the car in Aaron’s story?

How does the truth that we have all “marred perfection” in ourselves (and/or the created world) shed light on that object?

Do you believe Jesus is really working to restore what we have marred?

In what areas of your life do you feel God is silent or punishing you for your actions?

Where do you need to live in true redemptive grace instead of a karma mindset?

Where in Scripture do we see Jesus responding to terrible circumstances and trials? How and why does He respond the way He does?

If Jesus experiences those situations and responds the way He does, what might He expect from His people (us)?

How might there be redemption in your pain/suffering?

Who in your life needs to hear that the pain and suffering they are experiencing is not always tied to their actions? That they have a Suffering Savior, a Shepherd who can redeem and change them from the inside-out.