

## 2026-01-11 Discussion Questions

The sermon mentions that we often talk about problems more than we pray about them - what does this reveal about where our true faith lies, and how can we shift toward a more prayer-centered response to difficulties?

How do you reconcile the idea that God disciplines everyone He loves with your personal understanding of His grace and mercy, especially during seasons of hardship?

The pastor challenges us to consider whether our faith is truly in Christ or in our lifestyle and circumstances - which one honestly holds more weight in your daily life?

When facing persecution or hardship, are you more likely to lose heart or to see it as God developing you for something greater, and what would need to change in your perspective?

The sermon emphasizes rejoicing always, praying continually, and giving thanks in all circumstances - which of these three disciplines is most difficult for you to practice consistently and why?

If you lost everything material tomorrow like Job did, would your faith remain intact, or have you unknowingly made your possessions and comfort central to your spiritual identity?

How does the concept that 'anything less than hell is God's grace' challenge or reshape your expectations of what God owes you in this life?

The pastor mentions that we're called to be magnets drawing others to Christ - do unbelievers see something distinctly different in how you handle trials compared to how the world responds?

Proverbs 1 warns that complacency and rejecting God's rebuke leads to destruction - in what areas of your life might you be ignoring God's discipline or correction right now?

What would it look like for you personally to 'fix your eyes on Jesus' rather than on your circumstances, and what practical steps could help you maintain that focus during hardship?