

**Message Study Guide**

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on [thorncreek.church/live](http://thorncreek.church/live))

**Warming up**

1. Share a fun memory from your childhood.

**Digging Deeper & Application**

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. read Luke 13:1-5
  - a. What are your thoughts?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b. What does it say about circumstances in life?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - c. Do bad things happen to good people? Why?
  
3. Read Ecclesiastes 9:11-12
  - a. What does King Solomon say about circumstances?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b. Have you ever experienced anything like this? Please share with group.
  
4. Read John 16:33
  - a. What did Jesus say about peace?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b. Can you find another verse about the peace of God in the bible?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - c. How has Christ overcome the world?
  
5. Read Hebrews 6:10
  - a. What does this verse say about who God is?

- b. Do the words in this verse bring you hope or dismay?
6. Read Psalm 40: 1-3
  - a. What can you be assured of after reading these verses?
  - b. How does God respond to our cry for help?
  - c. How has God brought you of the pit of destruction?

### **Application**

**Below are some key points to take away from this study. Take time to discuss the points and pray together:**

- “Don’t ever let short-term injustice determine your long-term faith.” - Pastor Ruben
- The peace of God is greater than anything you will face in life.
- Nobody knows how to encourage you better than your God.