

May 22, 2016
Fuel for the Broken Heart
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1. Joe said early in his remarks that women have to watch their men because they do dangerous (sometimes foolish) things. What is something at least borderline dangerous and foolish that you or someone you know has done?

2. Joe used many texts, his first and longest might be considered his theme scripture: Psalm 139, especially verses 7-10.

*Read Psalm 139:1-10 and mention one of the things in these verses that comforts your broken heart.

*Consider memorizing these verses and repeating them in your next meeting.

3. Joe had a young lady sing “My Redeemer Lives.” One of the repeated lines in that song is “Let all creation testify my redeemer lives.” What experience have you had that made you want to say, “My redeemer lives!”

4. In John 16:33 Jesus says, “These things I have spoken to you so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation but take courage; I have overcome the world.”

*Do you have an example of a time Jesus gave you peace in the midst of some kind of tribulation?

*In our present political climate, do we act like Jesus has overcome the world?

*How can we keep remembering that Jesus will give us peace?

5. Read I Peter 2:21-23. What are you dealing with presently that you need “to follow in His steps,” specifically trusting yourself to Him “who judges righteously,” rather than reviling, uttering threats, or being deceitful?

6. Joe talked about the Thursday night before Jesus was crucified on Friday being Jesus’ best night.

*What about that night might make Joe think that?

*Whether you have a short or long life, how can you finish well?

7. John 16:13 says, when “the Spirit of truth comes,” he will “guide us into all the truth.”

*Do you ever think truth is hard to come by in our every day lives? What are some examples?

*Even in the spiritual realm, do you ever find it difficult to understand scripture correctly and thus God’s will for all of us, taking all verses into consideration?

*Read Jeremiah 33:2-3. Can you give an example of how the Spirit has guided you into some truth.

8. II Corinthians 1:4 says God comforts us in our affliction “so that we will be able to comfort” others likewise afflicted. Do you have an example of someone doing that for you or of someone you have comforted as God has comforted you?