



Life Group Discussion Guide
Hope for Hurting Mothers – 2 Chronicles 20
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Main Thought: In the mess there is a message.

Sunday Outline:

- You are not alone – Galatians 6:2
- God sees you – Matthew 5:4
- You are still valuable – Philippians 1:6
- Your story isn't over yet – Psalm 30:5
- Develop your battle plan – 2 Chronicles 20

Welcome & Fellowship Time (*Suggested Time 10 Minutes*)

Open in Prayer

Week in Review: (*Suggested Sharing Time 10 minutes*)

- What are some memorials you have in your life to remember God's goodness and provision?

Discussion Starter: (*Suggested Time 5 minutes*)

- Share a time when your story didn't play out as you'd planned? How did that make you feel?

Sermon Review: (*Suggested Time 20 minutes*).

Read 2 Chronicles 20 and discuss the following questions.

- Why do we tend to isolate in times of pain? Why is that so dangerous?
- What benefit did Jehoshaphat receive from calling the people together? What can we learn from his example?
- Why is it so difficult to worship in the midst of the pain and confusion?
- Why should we lean into worship, prayer and God's Word in the midst of our pain and confusion?



Digging Deeper: *(Suggested Time 15 minutes)*

Read 1 Samuel 1:1-20 and discuss the following questions.

1. What caused Hannah's pain and heartache? (vs. 2)
2. How did Peninnah and Elkanah contribute to her pain? (vs. 5-8)
3. What was Hannah's response to her pain? (vs. 9-10)
4. How did Eli misjudge the situation? (vs. 12-13)
5. How do we act like Peninnah, Elkanah and/or Eli when it comes to other's pain and heartache?

Application: *(Suggested Time 10 minutes)*

- God understands your pain and loss because He watched His Son, Jesus, die on the cross for you. Have you received His gift of hope and salvation that is available because of the pain He endured?
- Who do you know that may be experiencing pain and heartache? Reach out to them to let them know you see them and that they matter.
- If you are hurting, find a promise of God that you can write out, memorize and cling to.
- Share your pain and hurt with a someone who can pray with you and journey with you.

Group Prayer Requests: *(Suggested Time 10 minutes)*

Spend time praying for each other & praying for application of the study in the lives of the group members. *(Suggested time 10 minutes)*