

## Series Title: Take Heart// Encouragement in Uncertain Times 4/19/2020

Main Idea: We have a God who wants to encourage us in times of suffering.

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### Connecting

What are you most looking forward to when life returns to “normal”?

Ten years from now, what will stand out to you from this experience?

### Understanding

Read Psalm 22:1-2, 44:23-24, and 34:18. What do these verses suggest about how we can address God? What is God’s stance toward those who feel overwhelmed?

Read Hebrews 2:17 and 4:15. What do these verses say about Jesus? How do you think this might be relevant today?

Read Philippians 3:10-14, John 11:25-26, and 1 Corinthians 2:9. How might taking the long view change our perspective on our current problems?

### Living

What stood out to you from the message? What encouraged you or gave you hope?

How do you feel and react when someone shares their struggles with you?

How does an eternal perspective change your thoughts and feelings about your current situation?

Spend some time sharing with one another about your struggles and frustrations. Pray for one another using the words of Ephesians 3:16-17.

For more practical resources and encouragement, check out:

Abide (Blackhawk devotional podcast)

Next Steps Blog ([blog.blackhawkchurch.org](http://blog.blackhawkchurch.org))

Next Week: God's Presence in Uncertain Times