

## Series Title: Take Heart// God's Presence in Uncertain Times 4/26/2020

Main Idea: God is revealed in how his people are transformed by suffering.

---

### Connecting

Have you ever experienced rigorous training that resulted in improved skills?

What are you getting better at under these new living conditions?

### Understanding

Read John 16:33: What tension seems inherent in Jesus' statement?

Read Philippians 3:10, 1 Peter 2:21, and Roman 5: 3-5. What do these verses say about suffering?

Read James 1:2-4 and 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. How do you think James and Paul could refer to their suffering as a "joy" and a "delight"?

What's most significant to you from all these verses?

### Living

If "going through difficult times changes people more so than anything else," What do you feel like you're learning through this time? How do you see God using this experience for good?

How has God made himself known to you in a time of suffering?

What are some practices you do to become more aware of God's presence?

Read together John 16:33 and try to commit it to memory.

End your time in prayer and let the above verses inspire you.

Next Week: Planning in Uncertain Times