

“So Great”

Pastor Jeff Alexander + Lamentations 3:19-32 + July 1, 2018

Lamentations 3:19-21

- ¹⁹ I remember my affliction and my wandering,
the bitterness and the gall.
²⁰ I well remember them,
and my soul is downcast within me.
²¹ Yet this I call to mind
and therefore I have hope:

The Book of Lamentations is filled with struggling, lamenting, and complaining.

Lamentations 3:22-24

- ²² Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed,
for his compassions never fail.
²³ They are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
²⁴ I say to myself, “The Lord is my portion;
therefore I will wait for him.”

Yet, the faithfulness of the Lord is never far from the person who trusts in Him.

Lamentations 3:25-30

- ²⁵ The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him,
to the one who seeks him;
²⁶ it is good to wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.
²⁷ It is good for a man to bear the yoke
while he is young.
²⁸ Let him sit alone in silence,
for the Lord has laid it on him.
²⁹ Let him bury his face in the dust—
there may yet be hope.
³⁰ Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him,
and let him be filled with disgrace.

Trusting the Lord can be quite difficult! It often times is a lonely road.

Lamentations 3:31-32

- ³¹ For no one is cast off
by the Lord forever.

³²Though he brings grief, he will show compassion,
so great is his unfailing love.

Jesus Christ reaches into our lament and lifts us up with His unfailing love!