

WE INTERRUPT THIS PROGRAM :: JEFF HENDERSON

INTRODUCTION

We expect tomorrow to go just as it is scheduled to on our PDA. And then life happens--those unplanned events, life-altering circumstances and sudden twists-and-turns that catch us all off guard. But the good news is that we don't have to be unsuspecting victims of unexpected moments. Together we'll discover a truth so powerful and audacious that it not only can make a dramatic difference when those unexpected interruptions hit; it can also prepare us today for those inevitable moments of tomorrow.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was an unexpected life interruption that you experienced last year?
- 2. Read Acts 6:8-15; 7:54-59. Why do we tend to think, that as followers of God, we should be exempt from life interruptions?
- 3. Read Acts 8:1-8. How did God bring good out of Stephen's brutal execution?
- 4. Have you been able to see God bring good out of the interruptions in your life?
- 5. Years after being a part of the stoning of Stephen, Saul (whose name was changed to Paul upon his conversion to Christianity) wrote down Romans 8:28. How does the truth of this verse help us during life's interruptions?
- 6. In light of what we have read and talked about, why is it important that you not base your faith on circumstances?

THINK ABOUT IT

Think back over the life interruptions that you have experienced and still have no answer for--those events in your life, which from your perspective, have brought nothing but pain. What if on this side of eternity you never see any good come out of them? Will you still choose to believe in God's goodness? Why?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Unexpected life interruptions are coming this year. Decide today that you will believe in God no matter what circumstances may come your way.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

