MARINERS CHURCH

Faith in a Time of Fear

If Jesus isn't messing up my life, I'm doing it wrong.

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom." -Jesus, Luke 12:32 (NIV)

We were built for times like this.

How can I have faith in a time of fear?

Remember who God is.

Omnipotent

Means God can do everything.

Sovereign.

Means God has everything under control.

Love.

"To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.

Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord; my cause is disregarded by my God"? Do you not know?

Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;

but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:25-31



Remember who you are.

You are the salt of the earth.... You are the light of the world." - Jesus, Matthew 5:13-14

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"When did I forget that you've always been the king of the world? How could I make you so small When you're the one who holds it all When did I forget that you've always been the king of the world?"

For your LifeGroup and Accountability Time...

The coronavirus is a big deal and so many people have a lot of fears. What fears do we share? What's the greatest fear you have about it?

Read over Isaiah 40:25-31. What do you see here regarding God or fear or confidence?

How does God give you comfort and share a time when he strengthened and comforted you in a particular situation.

How is being "salt and light" particular meaningful in the midst of all that is going on?

What are some real ways we can be salt and light to people?

Pray together about fears, but trust and thank God for the confidence He has in you.