

The Communicator



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Have you ever encountered something in your life which seemed too big for you to handle? It seemed too big to confront and you didn't have the resources – mentally, physically, or emotionally to handle it? Each week we have been looking at the Children of Israelite journey from captivity to the Promised Land. We have seen how God was preparing them for the many obstacles and challenges they faced. I'm convinced that many of the people throughout the Bible and even those around Jesus often felt overwhelmed. They believed Jesus was the Messiah and they valued their relationship with Him, but when Jesus told them that He had to suffer, die, and rise again they were very confused. A Savior who had to suffer and die? No way!!! That was just too big for them to grasp until He opened their minds when He rose from the dead and helped them understand how it all fit together.

What is there in your life that's just too big to handle, grasp, or understand? Maybe there is something that happened in your past or something that follows you around that you would like to hide. Maybe it's something at home or at work that you can't seem to deal with or get over. I must admit I personally have faced many situations that seemed so overwhelming to me at the time but I just needed God's Eyes and God's perspective. To see how God sees!

While we cannot always figure out how everything will work, God will always work things out for our good and the good of His kingdom. In fact, He worked things out perfectly even in the midst of Good Friday when Jesus was tortured and killed. Through it all He was taking our place and suffering the judgment we deserved. Then by rising from the dead on Easter morning and winning the victory over sin, death, and evil, He offers us forgiveness and life, as well as a growing relationship with Him.

We may be overwhelmed at times by different situations and circumstances we are facing but our Lord Jesus Christ gives us the faith, energy, and strength to keep on going. He always has things under control. Therefore, no matter what you are facing, give it to God. Wouldn't you rather have Him deal with it?

Pastor Bill

Pastor Bill will be out of office June 16-19 for a conference