



Part 6: All Time Low

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Life's lowest moments bring with them the opportunity to see Jesus as the source of all hope.

God is with us in the fire

²²The king's command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, ²³ and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the blazing furnace.

²⁴ Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, "Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?" They replied, "Certainly, Your Majesty."

²⁵ He said, "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods."

²⁶ Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!" *Daniel 3:22-26*

- When we see enemies, God sees opportunities.
- Oftentimes we're far too worried about the safety of the people who have already been saved.

God prepares a table before us in the presence of our enemies.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. *Psalms 23:4-5*

- We can rest in His goodness in spite of our circumstances, not because of them.

Taking joy in our trials.

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. *James 1:2-4*

- Sometimes when we want God to change our context, God actually wants to use it to change us.
- If we spend all our time thinking about what's next, we're going to miss out on what God's got for us now.

Small Group Questions

- 1) Have you ever witnessed God's presence in the midst of a low moment?
- 2) What is something in your life you've asked God to take away that He might be using to shape you?
- 3) When you look at the trials in your life as context clues, what ways do you think God is trying to build you?
- 4) What is an area in your life that God is calling you to be more present in?
- 5) What can you do to encourage someone in a low moment this week?
- 6) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?