

PERSONAL REFLECTION GUIDE

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- When crisis hits, people will often “catch up on their prayer life.” They begin praying when they’ve not done so before. When is a crisis in your life where you suddenly became very spiritual?
- Why is it easy to seek God for relief during crises but forget Him when things are good?
- **Read Exodus 9:13-21.** What do these verses reveal about God?
- **Read Ezekiel 33:11 and 2 Peter 3:9.** How do these verses change the way we view the “God of the Old Testament” and His patience towards us today?
- Some Egyptians “feared the word of the Lord” and took shelter. What does that sort of respect and fear look like today? In your daily life?
- **Read Exodus 9:22-30.** What are the signs that Pharaoh’s heart has not changed?
- How might you distinguish true repentance from fake repentance in yourself? In others?
- **Read Exodus 9:31-35.** What does Pharaoh do as soon as the storm ends?
- Why do people seek God during hardship and not during good times?
- What are signs of a hard heart?
- **Read Ezekiel 36:26.** A soft heart isn’t something we manufacture, but a gift from God. How does this take the pressure off us while also calling us to surrender?
- What habits help us maintain soft hearts? Which habit do you most need now?
- Why is the Gospel our greatest motivation for repentance rather than guilt or fear?
- Based on this passage or the sermon, what is one step of obedience the Holy Spirit is leading you towards this week?

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK

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