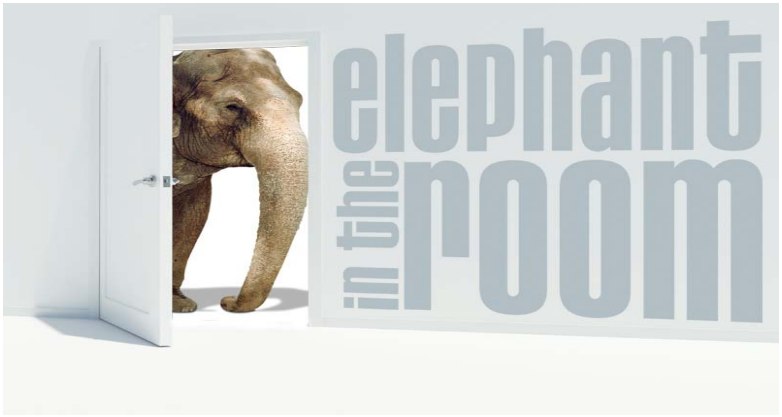

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If you're interested in diving deeper into today's topic please join us for a one-night discussion group. For more info contact king@rcctulsa.org

Talk it over…with your friends, family, or Growth Group.

Talking through the ideas presented in Sunday's message helps us apply God's word to our individual lives. These questions are designed to help you put His words into action in your life this week.

* *Do you believe suffering is an inevitable part of the Christian life at some point?*

* *Do you view suffering as a bad thing or an opportunity for being "purified"? Why or why not? Would your viewpoint make a difference in how you deal with suffering?*

* *Can you name some ways God has "purified" you through suffering? Would you go through it again if it would "purify" you further? Why or why not?*

* *What are some of the ways people suffer in our culture?*

* *What do you think of the way God has dealt with suffering? Have you realized "THE GREAT SUFFERING" will ultimately deliver us from our suffering?*

* *What do you think is the "joy" set before Jesus as He was on the cross?*

Scripture for review

I Peter 1:3-7

Isaiah 55:8-9

Isaiah 43:2

I Peter 3:15

Isaiah 40:27

Mark 1:40-42

Note: Don't forget to be praying for the people around you.