

Sermon Notes – October 13, 2018

I Am A Man of Constant Sorrow (*Lamentations 3:10*)

- I. The Personal Reality of Suffering.
 - A. Corporate sin effects individual lives.
 - 1. I, me, my. (*vs. 1-18*)
 - B. Individual sins reap corporate consequences.
 - 1. The darkness of souls.
 - 2. The blockage of prayers. (*Psalms 66:18*) (*1 Peter 3:7*)
 - 3. The desolation of spirits.

- II. The Purposeful Meaning of Suffering.
 - A. To reach the point of desperation.
 - 1. As the deer pants for water... (*Psalms 42:1*)
 - B. To reach the point of upward focus. (*vs. 18*)
 - 1. Blessed are the poor in spirit...those who hunger and thirst for righteousness... (*Matthew 5:3,6*)
 - 2. Set your affections on Christ... (*Colossians 3:1-3*)

- III. The Primary Person of Suffering. (*Isaiah 53*)
 - A. Jesus, despised and forsaken. (*Isaiah 53:3a*)
 - B. Jesus, man of sorrows and grief. (*Isaiah 53:3b*)
 - C. Jesus, the sin-bearer.
 - 1. My God, my God, why?... (*Matthew 27:46*) (*Psalms 22:1-2*)
 - 2. While we were sinners... (*Romans 5:8*)
 - 3. Our guilt offering... (*Isaiah 53:10a*) (*Romans 3:21-26*)