## **The Longest Saturday Ever!**

... that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day ... 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

But what about the \_\_\_\_\_ day? (Saturday)

Easter Saturday Equation:

Disappointment plus Disaster multiplied by Delay can develop Total D\_\_\_\_\_.

Disappointments: The tests of **I\_\_\_\_\_** 

attacks our **will**.

Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will Galatians 6:8 (Romans 8:5) reap eternal life.

Disasters: The tests of **I\_\_\_\_\_** 

attacks our perspective of worth.

... life does not consist in an abundance of possessions. Luke 12:15

Delays: The tests of our

attacks our ability to wait.

... no eye has seen any God besides you, who acts on behalf of those who wait for Him. Isaiah 64:4

Growing through our Struggles

John 16:16

Sorrow cuts away at the

**P\_\_\_\_\_** tests the roots of Certainty.

Surely it was for my benefit that I suffered such anguish. In your love you kept me from the pit of destruction; you have put all my sins *behind your back.* Isaiah 38:17

## **P\_\_\_\_\_** is played out behind the Curtain.

John 16:20 & 22

Scars remind us of other's or His Faithfulness.

He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.  $\sim^{14} I$  know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so that people will fear Him. Ecclesiastes 3:11 & 14

## **P\_\_\_\_\_** Comes after successfully waiting.

John 16:33

Sorrow can be a journey shared with

Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from Him.<sup>6</sup> Truly He is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress, I will not be shaken. <sup>7</sup> My salvation and my honor depend on God; He is my mighty rock, my refuge. <sup>8</sup> Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to Him, for God is our refuge. Psalm 62:5-8

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26

**Optional Reading:** 

Ten Chapters of God's Faithfulness Isaiah 12, 26, 35, 40, 41, 54, 55, 60, 61, 62