



## Week 1

## The Process

**Main Text: Romans 5:3-4**

### Before You Begin:

Name the best boss you ever worked for. What made them so great to work for?

### Discussion Questions:

1. Jeremy defined character as doing what is right no matter the cost. What would you add or take away from this definition? Why?
2. Why do you think it's so easy to avoid building character?
3. What do you think is the motivation to build character?
4. **Read Romans 5:1-2.** Why can we have peace with God? How does this change the way we live and view life? Is this a difficult or easy truth to remember? Why?
5. **Read Romans 5:3-4**
6. Do you glory in sufferings? Why is this difficult?
7. Paul describes a process— Suffering produces perseverance, perseverance produces character and character produces hope.
8. How do you think this is true in your life? How has sufferings produced character and hope in you?
9. How can character and hope help you endure sufferings?
10. How can you gain peace in your standing with God regardless of your circumstances?
11. What can this group do to help you in that?

### Next Steps:

1. Pray that God will help you realize in the midst of suffering that he is at work producing character and hope in you.
2. Memorize **Romans 5:3-4**