



"Still Alice"

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The scriptures remind us just how brief and fragile life really is.

James 4:13-14

Isaiah 43:2 "when you pass through the waters, I will be with you..."

Psalms 34:18 "The Lord is close to the broken hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

Practice the "one another's" of scripture:

- **John 15** "love one another"
- **Galatians 5** "serve one another"
- **Ephesians 4** "be kind and compassionate to one another"
- **James 5** "pray for one another"

Galatians 6:2 "Carry each other's burdens, for this is how we obey the law of Christ."

Matthew 6:34 "So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring it's own worries."

Psalms 118:24 "This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it."

We are not citizens of this _____, we are citizens of _____.

Philippians 3:20-21 "But our citizenship is on heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body."

Romans 8:18 "our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us."

1 Corinthians 13:13 "And now these three remain: f_____, h_____ and l_____.
But the greatest of these is _____."

Small Group Discussion Questions

Ice Breaker

Still Alice is the story of a woman who gets a tragic medical diagnosis and how her family navigates their new normal. The film opens with Alice's 50th birthday party. Share a little bit about your favorite birthday party. Maybe it was when you were younger or it was a recent celebration - either way what made it special?

Opening Question

What stood out to you from the weekend message? Was there a scripture, principle or action step that has stuck with you?

Scripture

Read James 4:13-14

Discuss a time in your life where you realized just how fragile life is. What was your relationship with God like during this time?

Read Psalm 34:17-22

When the writers of the Psalms cry out, just like in chapter 34, they are giving voice to the suffering that God's servants experience in a hostile and evil world.

How have you experienced God's presence in the midst of difficult circumstances?

Can you think of a current circumstance in your life where you want God to "be close to the brokenhearted and save those who are crushed in spirit?" (Psalm 34:18)

Read 1 Corinthians 13:13

What do you think are some reasons this verse says, “love is the greatest of these”?

Application

Are there changes you could make (big or small) in order to make the most of your life right now?

What are some practical ways each of us could live for God and others in the present?

Do you currently know someone going through a difficult circumstance? If so, how can you love and serve them well today?

Pray