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Speaker: Emma Wall

Date: Sunday 19th November

Talk title: For the Journey: Suffering

Bible verses: Job 23:1-17

Questions to prompt conversation...

1. How do you react to Antia Cleverley's statement that 'pain is the gift that none of us want'?
2. Do you agree that 'what we do with our pain is always a choice - a choice that only we can make'?
3. What feelings did the picture of the St Benedict sculpture (The Listening Saint) engender in you? (See attached picture if you wish to use it)
4. Do you think that 'being heard' is a powerful thing and who do you feel 'heard' by?
5. Read Job 23v3, 8 & 9. Do you think that Job was right to suggest that God was absent in his pain?
6. What helps us to 'know' God's Promises, God's Truth's and God's Commands more clearly and effectively in the midst of pain?
7. In what ways do you think that we can help to transform people's Valleys of Baca into safe Oases of love and hope?
8. Can you give an example of when someone 'reached you', where you were in a dark tunnel, with a light that comforted and helped you.
9. What sometimes prevents us from heading down people's tunnel with a light in our hand?

