

**SERIES:** The Resilient – Wisdom from Babylon

**TITLE:** Double Vision

**SPEAKER:** Pastor Bob Marvel

**PASSAGE:** I John 5:4; Psalm 137:1-3; Jeremiah 25:3,8,11, 29:4-7,10-14; 2 Kings 25:7,9-10,14-15; 2 Chronicles 33:11; Daniel 1:3-6; Romans 8:35-37; I John 5:4-5

**DATE:** April 22-23, 2023

The logo for Small Groups, featuring four interlocking puzzle pieces in white on a teal background, followed by the text "SMALL GROUPS" in white, bold, uppercase letters.

## MESSAGE TAKEAWAY

Resilience is the capacity to withstand or recover quickly from difficulties

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is your definition of resilience?
- When was a time you felt insufficient capacity to withstand or recover quickly from a difficult experience?
- Much of what Bob told us about Babylon was bad. What was one awful thing you remember him saying?
- Bob talked about "collateral damage," when the innocent suffer because of what someone else does. Tell of a time when that happened to you.
- Explain the "key" for our resilience that Bob called double vision.
- Why do we need to flourish while, not just when?
- What role does prayer have in our resilience?
- How did Jesus demonstrate incredible resilience for our benefit?

## NEXT STEPS

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: 'For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.'* No, in all these things we are **more than conquerors** through him who loved us." (Romans 8:35-37) When stressful things happen this week, look at them as opportunities to practice being more than a conqueror.