

going deeper

Personal or group study ideas. Read the articles, choose your questions.

- Is God Redeeming HIV/AIDS?** Read Tazelaar, pp. 8-14.
- a. Recall a specific patient with HIV/AIDS. What feelings does this memory evoke? Did you sense God caring through you as you cared for this patient? How?
 - b. Read “Does ABC Work?”, pp. 12. What has been your experience, if any, when providing this type of information to patients? What has been the general response? Why do you think that may be?
 - c. Do you view God as redeeming HIV/AIDS? Share your thoughts.
 - d. Compare and contrast AIDS in North America and AIDS in Africa.
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- Ethical Disagreements:** Read Salladay, pp. 38.
- a. How can nurses avoid becoming disillusioned in the face of painful, ethical dilemmas?
 - b. Which, if any, biblical references help you? Share an example.
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- Holding Out Hope:** Read Diggins, pp. 30-31 and FAQs, pp. 42.
- a. Read Proverbs 13:12; Acts 2:26. How can nurses help offer hope to patients? What evidence of hope is seen in a patient’s demeanor?
 - b. Read Romans 5:5. When a patient is facing terminal illness, compare and contrast the difference you’ve seen in patients with and without hope.
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- Advocacy Roles for Parish Nurses:** Read Patterson, pp. 33-35.
- a. For whom can you be a healthcare advocate? Locate a local parish nurse and ask how you can support his or her work.