

Tough Questions

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People? Week 6

Getting Started:

How would you respond to someone who says they can't believe in a God who would let some bad things happen to good people?

From The Video:
1.God made us with
2 messed things up.
3.There's
Questions:
What's a piece of wisdom or advice you've received that helped you navigate a challenging or unjust situation in your life?
Digging Deeper:
Read Isaiah 64:6.

Why does God allow evil and suffering in the world, and did he create it?

Why do bad things happen to good people?

Read Romans 3:23, and Genesis 3:1-13.

What is "Free Will" and why is it necessary for a truly loving relationship?

What's the worst thing that happened to you, and how did you respond?

Read Romans 8:28.

There are positive things God can use to emerge from suffering. Not to say that suffering is easy, but because of our trust in Jesus we know there is hope. Here are a few ways God can use bad things or suffering in a good way: To (a) humble you, (b) make you like Christ (c) minister to others (d) teach us to pray "your will be done" (e) give us hope (f) learn to depend on him more (g) discipline you (h) bring repentance (i) other.

In this list, which can you see God is using to make you better, or to bring about hope?

What can you do this week to begin to find hope in your suffering?

Answer Key: God made us with <u>Free Will.</u> <u>Sin</u> messed things up. There's <u>Hope</u>.

