



QUESTIONING GOD

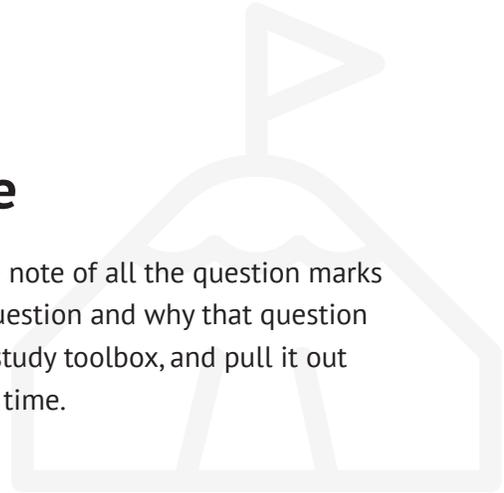
SUMMARY | At times, we all have wished we could ask God questions. It's part of what it means to be human. There are a lot of things we don't know. But when you read the Bible, you discover that God asks us questions as well. In fact, God asks people in the Bible many questions. Is that because there are things He doesn't know that He needs our help with? Well, this series examines some of the questions posed by God to people in both the Old and New Testaments. Because the God of the Bible asks questions, this series is therefore called *Questioning God*. Join our friend Rasool Berry as he leads the *Discover the Word* group through some of these crucial questions in this two-week study.

This Week's Discussion Questions

1. When God asked humanity the first question, "Where are you?" (Genesis 3:9), was it a question about location or morality? Could it have been about both? How difficult is it for you to confess that you're not where you're supposed to be?
2. If you could ask God any question, what would your question be? Does your question include the word *why*? How does the story of Job give us comfort when we don't know *why*?
3. What kinds of things have you been angry about recently? Are those things about your comfort or what comforts others? How can God's question for Jonah (Jonah 4:4) help us gain perspective when we're angry?
4. Think of a situation where you felt overwhelmed by a task but sensed God's provision for you in accomplishing it. How do you know if it's God who's "calling" you to a task or not?
5. What plans did you have to cancel because of the pandemic? Were all those changes negative? What has this season taught you about God and His plans?
6. Have you ever experienced the death of a dream? Recount that experience. Do you still have hope that that dream may happen? What are some ways God can give closure to dreams that have faded?

Challenge

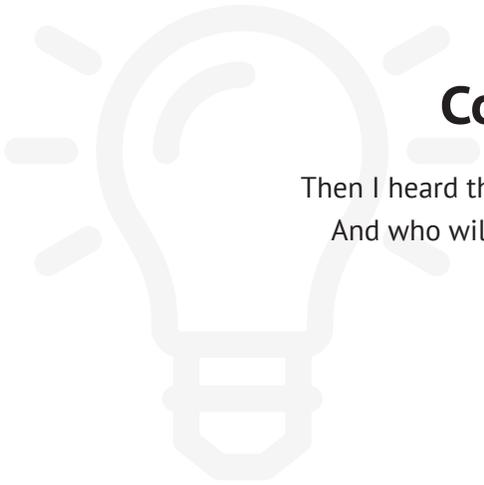
Next time you read through a Bible passage, take note of all the question marks in those verses. Determine who is asking the question and why that question is significant. Add that as a tool to your Bible study toolbox, and pull it out and use it from time to time.



Commit To Memory

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send?
And who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

Isaiah 6:8 NIV



Prayer

Lord, we have so many questions we wish we could ask You, and we look forward to the day when ultimately those questions will be answered or we'll understand that they don't matter. In the meantime, we ask that You use this series of conversations to help us trust You more as we look at questions You have for us that can help us gain perspective on our own questions. As always, it's in Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

