



GOD OF THE
"MORE THAN" SERIES

THE GOD WHO IS ABOVE OUR 'WHYS'

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CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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GOD ABOVE OUR "WHYS" (Part of God of the "More Than" series)
Read John 9: 1-7 Three Points From This Story

1. SOME THINGS ARE A MYSTERY

We just don't have any answers.

Story: When Nic Vujcic was born without arms and legs he asked God why? He received no answers and lived a meaningless life, attempting suicide twice until he read John 9 and was hit by Jesus's words: "that the works of God might be displayed". He then knew why he had no arms and legs. His life changed.

When the disciples asked Jesus why the man was born blind, Jesus never answered the question. We are not going to get answers if we ask "Why?" in our crisis. Asking why will only dig a deeper pit for us to stare

2. MYSTERY DOES NOT MEAN NO PURPOSE

Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, **but that the works of God might be displayed in him**" The real question we should ask God when we are in a fix, crisis, tragedy is not "Why?" but "**God, what next?**" Jesus answered the "**what next?**" question ... "in order that the works of God might be displayed in him".

The Greek word for "works" means any deed of God. Could be healing, miracles, or something ordinary... that would change the man or situation and glorify God.

Rom 8:28. ALL things work together for good.. those who love Him, ...

CGQ: Share what is your usual immediate reaction to a crisis, bad news, tragedy. Is it: "God Why?" or "God, what next?" Give some examples from your experience. If your reply is "What next, God?" What do you think God is trying to teach you about your faith, or your heart in a crisis? Share.

3. FOLLOW THROUGH, HIS LIGHT WILL SHINE THROUGH DIFFERENTLY!

Read v 4-5.

When we let Jesus in and let Him do what He wants. It's **DAY!** When we don't, it's **NIGHT! But if we give HIM in control HE will do things His way!** Healed 5 blind men in His ministry. **One man** while entering Jericho, He never **touched** him, two men leaving Jericho: "Jesus touched their eyes" **One man** outside Bethsaida Jesus spit on his eyes, and laid hands, **At the** Pool of Siloam.. "he spit on the ground, put mud on the eyes & asked him to wash.." So Different!

CGQ: How long are you prepared to wait in a situation to allow His light to shine through? Should we give God a time limit? Should we decide how a situation will work out "for His glory" before we accept it?

Share example of people who have inspired you in their faith in God despite tragedies or crisis? Pray for one another for the positive, faith-building spirit of "What next, God?"