

TODAY'S MESSAGE

EVER WONDER WHY?

Have you ever had a question so hard that you wouldn't even say it out loud? Or a doubt so big you didn't feel life you could share it — especially at church? Maybe it's time to ask the tough questions together in our new series, *Ever Wonder Why?*

What is H2Ochurch.tv?

We are a group of people from all walks of life who are being transformed by Christ. We are passionate about sharing the love of Christ by caring for each other and positively impacting our communities. We meet in multiple locations around the United States. Check out the locations near you at www.h2ochurch.tv

Weekend experiences last for one hour and have two primary elements: powerful worship and a life-changing message. Worship is led by a talented band and the style is consistent with today's culture. Messages are dynamic, relevant, and teach truths from the Bible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The H2O Code

We are faith-filled, big thinking, bet the farm risk takers. We won't insult God with itty-bitty dreams.

EVER WONDER WHY?—1 WHY DID GOD LET IT HAPPEN?

- If God is not able to prevent evil, then He's not all-powerful.
- If God is not willing to prevent evil, then He's not all good.
- If God is both willing and able to prevent evil, then why does evil exist?

Christianity makes sense of, gives meaning to, and offers a solution for the evil and suffering we experience.

"What does God know?" they ask. "Does the Most High even know what's happening?" ¹²Look at these wicked people—enjoying a life of ease while their riches multiply. ¹³Did I keep my heart pure for nothing? Did I keep myself innocent for no reason? ¹⁴I get nothing but trouble all day long; every morning brings me pain. Psalm 73:11-14 NLT

If God is loving, why would He allow suffering?

If love is a choice, suffering is a possibility.

If there is no God, who decides there's evil?

Why do bad things happen to good people?

... "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Matthew 27:46NIV

So why does God allow suffering?

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 NIV

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever." Revelation 21:4 NLT

When I tried to understand all this, it troubled me deeply ¹⁷ till I entered the sanctuary of God... ²⁶ My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Psalm 73:16-17, 26 NIV

TALK IT OVER

- Read Revelation 21:4. How does knowing that suffering is temporary influence the way you view it?
- Talk about a Bible story or Scripture that comes to mind when you think about evil and suffering. What can you learn about God from that story?
- Share about a time when you saw God use a painful part of your story for good. What was that experience like?
- Start the Ever Wonder Why? Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: www.go2.lc/everwonderwhy

Welcome to H2Ochurch.tv Worship Experience

Our Vision:

To love God and love our neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40) by imitating Jesus of Nazareth and living a life of love (Eph. 5:1-2)... To Bring In, Train Up, and Send Out

Our Mission:

To lead people to become fully devoted followers of Christ.

Our Core Values:

- -- Hunger for intimacy with God.
- -- Zeal for relationship with others.
- -- Live as people under authority.
- -- Living as people of blessing.
- -- Dedicated for service.
- --A People of Mission.

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