



Christianity On Trial | Week 6 Study Guide

If God is good why is there so much suffering and evil in the world?

Bible Text: Various passages

Open Up

When have you asked God "why?" when facing suffering and/or evil?

If someone were to ask you why God allows suffering and evil, what would you say to them?

Dig In

Read Genesis 3:1-19 & Romans 5:12

How do these verses help explain why there is suffering and evil in the world?

Why might a world with free will be better than one where God controls every action so as to not allow suffering and evil to exist?

How does free will lead to both beauty and pain in this world?

Read Isaiah 53:3-5 & Hebrews 4:15-16

Why is it important to know that Jesus also experienced suffering and evil when He walked the earth?

Jesus encountered suffering and evil when He went to the cross. Why is this truth so significant to the issue of suffering and evil?

Read Genesis 50:19-20, Romans 8:28 & 1 Peter 1:3-7

What are some ways that suffering and evil can actually produce good things in our lives? How have you experienced this to be true?

Close Out

Read 2 Peter 3:8-13

How are these verses helpful as you navigate living in a world with suffering and evil?

How can you live with eternity in mind this week?