

Can I Doubt or Deconstruct In a Godly Manner?

Psalm 73

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Types of Deconstruction

- a. Blind-sided deconstruction
 - i. Occurs when a Christian begins to doubt in an instant from a life situation, or question that they can't seem to answer.
 - 1. Traumatic event or loss
 - 2. Exposure to other views/ideas
 - 3. Perplexing Passages
 - b. Church wound deconstruction
 - i. Occurs when a Christian is hurt by a fellow Christian, Christian leader, Pastor, or Church
 - c. Cultural deconstruction
 - i. Occurs when the voice of the culture and peers are accepted by a believer and held in higher esteem than the word of God.
 - d. Self-centered deconstruction
 - i. Occurs when a person's individual experience, behaviors, or needs are put above the will and ways of God.
 - 1. Exposure to the normalcy of sinful behavior.
- ⇒ What to ask yourself at the onset of deconstruction.
- i. What is the motivation of my heart?
 - ii. Have I already made up my mind?
 - iii. Am I seeking to justify a personal belief or behavior?
 - iv. Am I emptied of all pride or is my doubt all about my personal experience?
 - v. Am I seeking after truth and can I accept what the truth is?

Psalm 73:1-28

- ⇒ Five guidelines for those whose faith is teetering.
- i. Put society, culture, and even church culture aside and seek what is the truth.
 - ii. Seek guidance, prayer, and even open up and ask questions to others and towards God.
 - iii. Don't toss out your personal experience with God.
 - iv. Continue in His word.
 - v. View things from an eternal perspective.