

Sept. 30 / The Problem of Evil & Suffering Text: Romans 8:18-28

Video question...

What's a time in your life when you encountered suffering or evil and how did that impact your view of God?

- 1. Is there a specific time when you now see how suffering shaped you into the person you are today?
- 2. Why do you think it's so easy for people to reject God because of evil?
- 3. Why do you think so many Christians think they should be spared from evil and suffering?
- 4. Looking at the life of Jesus how did he handle evil and suffering in His human form?
- 5. Take some time as a group and read Romans 8:18-28 and take time to examine what Paul wrote about suffering. What are some lessons about evil and suffering and God you can pull out of this passage? (take time as a group to allow each person to share their perspective)
- 6. After listening to the message or reading the book The Problem of God how would you explain to someone why God allows suffering?
- 7. How can we best help people who have rejected God because of evil and suffering?