# WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO ME? STUDY GUIDE

Genesis 3:6-9 | Job 1:20-22 | Romans 8:28

### **Observation Questions**

- 1. In Job 1:20-22, what is Job's immediate response to losing everything, and what does this show about his relationship with God?
- 2. According to Genesis 3:6-9, what did Adam and Eve do after they disobeyed God, and how did God respond to their actions?
- 3. The sermon mentions that sometimes suffering is a result of our own choices, sometimes from others, and sometimes it's just a mystery. What examples did the pastor give for each of these? [[23:41]]
- 4. In Romans 8:28, what does Paul say about God's work in the lives of those who love Him?

## **Interpretation Questions**

- 1. What does Job's reaction to his suffering teach us about how to process pain and loss in our own lives? [[22:25]]
- 2. The pastor said, "God is always working something in you, out of you, for you, or through you." What does this mean, and how does it change the way we look at hard seasons? [[14:24]]
- 3.In the story of Adam and Eve, what was the real failure—was it just disobedience, or was it something deeper about how they responded to God after they sinned? [[41:38]]
- 4. The sermon says the better question is not "why" but "what"—what is God doing in this season, and how will we respond? Why is this shift important for our faith? [[17:08]]

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## **Application Questions**

- 1. The pastor shared that Job grieved, questioned, and still worshiped. When you face loss or confusion, do you tend to run toward God or away from Him? What would it look like for you to "worship in the middle" of your pain? [[22:25]]
- 2. Think about a current struggle or disappointment in your life. Instead of asking "why is this happening," try asking, "God, what are you trying to do in me, out of me, for me, or through me?" How does this change your perspective?

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- 3. The sermon talked about the tension between what we want and what God says. Can you think of a time when your desires conflicted with God's direction? How did you respond, and what did you learn from that experience? [[36:19]]
- 4. Adam and Eve hid from God after they messed up. Are there areas in your life where you are hiding from God or covering up instead of being honest with Him? What would it look like to let God meet you "in the middle" of your shame or confusion? [[41:38]]
- 5. The pastor said, "God does not owe us answers, but He offers us Himself." How do you feel about the idea that God may not explain everything, but He promises to be present with you? [[27:44]]
- 6. Jesus is described as "the way, the truth, and the life." When you don't understand the "why," how can you practically cling to the "who"—Jesus—in your daily life? [[46:04]]
- 7. Grace is greater than good or evil. Is there a place in your life where you need to receive God's grace instead of demanding answers or trying to figure everything out? What step can you take this week to rest in His grace?

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