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How Can a Good God Allow Suffering?
Genesis 50:20

We all have questions. Whether you consider yourself a Christian or not, you have questions about faith, science, culture, and ultimately your own life. We are discussing these questions at home, at work, with friends, and online. Why shouldn't we discuss these questions with our church family? The Scriptures, because of the Holy Spirit, are living and active, able to speak to questions asked 2,000 years later. So, can a Christian lose their salvation?

God's world and God's Word reveal complementary truth about God.

- As you reflect on the message, what stood out to you? What is something you are still thinking about?
- What is something from the message that challenged you? How are you wrestling with that challenge?
- What question(s) do you have from the message?
- What is at least one practical takeaway from the message?

Psalm 19

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.

1 The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

2 Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.

3 There is no speech, nor are there words,
whose voice is not heard.

4 Their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.
In them he has set a tent for the sun,

5 which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them,
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure,
making wise the simple;

8 the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure,
enlightening the eyes;

9 the fear of the Lord is clean,
enduring forever;
the rules of the Lord are true,
and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey
and drippings of the honeycomb.

11 Moreover, by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can discern his errors?
Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

13 Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;
let them not have dominion over me!
Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

- How have you viewed the relationship between faith and science before?
- What does David mean when he says “The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge” (Psalm 19:1–2)? Obviously creation can’t actually talk.
- If creation, and therefore science, points to God, what does it reveal about God? Consider what Paul writes in Romans 1:20.
- Think about a time in nature or a time you reflected on some incredible scientific fact. How did that make you feel about God?
- In Psalm 19:7–11 what are the words and descriptions David uses for God’s Word? What does this say about Scripture?
- Pastor Dustin made a distinction between what science offers, general revelation, and what Scripture offers, special revelation. How are general revelation and special revelation different?
- Why is science incomplete knowledge of God and Scripture necessary to know God fully?
- How does Paul describe Scripture in 2 Timothy 3:16?
- How does reading Scripture make you feel about God?
- How does Psalm 19 demonstrate that both science and Scripture are complementary ways in which God reveals himself?
- How should Psalm 19 challenge us to understand science?