## Why does God allow evil & suffering?

Genesis 50:20; Romans 8:28-30

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. How do you make sense of the existence of evil?
- 2. Which perspective presented in this message did you resonate with most (dualism, new age spirituality, karma, or the story of Jesus)? Why?
- 3. Do you believe evil is an essential and eternal part of our existence? Why or why not?
- 4. If God were to not allow evil, what would we lose?
- 5. Have you ever experienced something you suffered making you stronger/more alive in the end? What was that like?
- 6. How does the end of the story (see Revelation 21) encourage you in the midst of your pain?
- 7. Are you suffering right now? How can we pray for you?

After spending some time discussing these things, pray for each other.

## **Related Scriptures**

Genesis 1:31 John 9:1-11, 24-25 Romans 5:3-4 Romans 9:19-24 1 Peter 1:6-7 Revelation 21:1-7, 27

"Although the threads of my life have often seemed knotted, I know, by faith, that on the other side of the embroidery, there is a crown."

- Corrie Ten Boom

