

# WHEN WE ASK WHY

*Where is God?*

## **MESSAGE GOAL**

Every week has a main point – what we want to walk away from the discussion knowing, feeling, and doing.

### ▶ **MAIN IDEA**

God is always active and there are answers to our “why” questions.

### ▶ **HEAD CHANGE**

I will choose to have faith in God even when I don't fully understand what is going on.

### ▶ **HEART CHANGE**

I will develop my character even during times when I don't see God working.

### ▶ **LIFE CHANGE**

I will daily surrender my life to God's daily plan for me and those he chooses to impact through me.

## **Read**

Jeremiah 29:13-14

John 14:16-17

Acts 17:27.

These verses show us how we can daily feel God's presence in our lives.

## **Discuss**

**What did the Lord reveal to you through this message?** (Did you gain a specific insight into YOUR life? What challenged you? Did the Holy Spirit convict you in any area?)

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**In what ways do you feel God's presence in your life? In what ways don't you feel God's presence in your life and what's keeping you from feeling God's presence in your life.**

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**What things are hindering your faith in God?**

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**Read Mark 9:22-23, James 1:6-7, and 1 John 5:14-15. What do these verses teach us about prayer and faith?**

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**How different do you think your life would be if you felt God's presence daily?**

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**What are some of the most effective ways you've found of seeking God? You will find God when you seek Him. What steps do you need to take to start seeking him more?**

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**What changes will you make in your life this week so that you can begin to experience God daily?**

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## **OPEN QUESTIONS**

**Tell about a time when you cried out to God for help. What were the circumstances you were facing? Did you feel that God showed up for you?**

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**Describe a time when you experienced God's presence in your life? How did that experience affect you?**

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At times, all of us will ask God “why” questions. Life is difficult at times and it is not wrong to ask questions. However, it is critical that we gain a right perspective from the Bible and other Christian friends to help us gain a perspective on life's situations.