



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of February 12, 2023

Sermon Text *Romans 8:28*

28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

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Discussion Questions

1. God's purpose in the life of a Christian, is to make him or her more like Jesus Christ. How does allowing hard and even painful things in our lives, help to accomplish that purpose? How does this change your perspective on challenging situations in your life?
2. Why is it comforting to know that Romans 8:28 says **all things** work together for good? How would it be different if it said *some* things or *many* things? For whom do all things work together for good? Does that include you?
3. Why do we sometimes question the goodness of God? What are we failing to understand when we do this? Ultimately, what is God's most convincing proof that He loves you?
4. We almost always want the easiest way, the path of least resistance. Why do you think your heavenly Father doesn't always give this to you? What do you think God wants you to learn through difficult situations?
5. An oyster's pearl is an example of "pain surrounded by beauty". How does this illustration help you when you are in the middle of a painful situation?