

Daily Devotion For May 16, 2021

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." Proverbs 3:5

What do you do when you don't understand what God is doing? Why do people get sick, have cancer or parkinson's, or why do some people have surgeries that don't turn out the way they had hoped or prayed for.

The difficult truth is, many times we won't get the answers to our "why" questions. And yet we believe we deserve them. Maybe it's because we can answer most questions using Google in under 10 seconds. Do we think God should be just as fast and on demand?

The whys of life can consume us, because we want to know the answers. But that's just not always possible. The truth is, our understanding is human, frail, and limited. It's hampered by emotion and colored by fear. It's also incomplete. On the other hand, God's wisdom and knowledge is perfect.

God doesn't need to explain everything to me and that also is a difficult truth to understand. I don't understand lots of what happens here on the earth. But one of the great lessons that God has taught me in the 46 years that I have been a Christian is that I know God can be trusted. And when I don't get an answer that makes sense to me, it's an opportunity to gracefully submit my limited understanding to God, and lean on Him.

Thought For Today: Reflect today on Proverbs 3:5. Remember, you do not always have to know the answer to the "why" if you know the one who is the "Who". Knowing the "Who" can bring you the peace when you don't know the "Why."

Today's Prayer Focus: Take time to Praise and Thank God that He is trustworthy. For what "why" do you need to trust him today? Continue to pray for Kiku Kuwatani, Dr. Cary Gota, and others in our church family who are in need of God's strengthening and healing touch. Deo Volente.