I. IT'S OKAY TO QUESTION GOD ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON.

A. It’s natural to want to make sense out of life because that’s what we do.

B. It’s also natural to question God about our circumstances right now.
   1. The book of Job consists of 42 chapters of questioning God.
   2. Even Jesus questioned God from the cross—“Why have you forsaken me.”
   3. One big question is why can a all loving and all-powerful God let us suffer?
      a. One reason we suffer is because we are part of human race—Job 5:7.
      b. Another reason is that we bring some suffering on ourselves by our actions.
      c. Still another reason is to teach us some things we can only learn the “hard way”.

C. Although God isn’t threatened by our questions, He doesn’t owe us any answers because as 2 Corinthians 5:7.

II. THE BIGGEST QUESTION WE HAVE FOR GOD IS WHAT PURPOSE, IF ANY, DOES OUR SUFFERING SERVE?

A. One purpose is to give us an opportunity to demonstrate our faith—Daniel 3:17-18.

B. Another purpose is to prepare us to help others—2 Cor. 1:3-4.

C. The Apostle Paul lists a few more purposes for suffering in Romans 5.
   1. Suffering builds endurance and perseverance—Romans 5:3.

D. After all the suffering Job endured, he felt closer to God—Job 42:5.