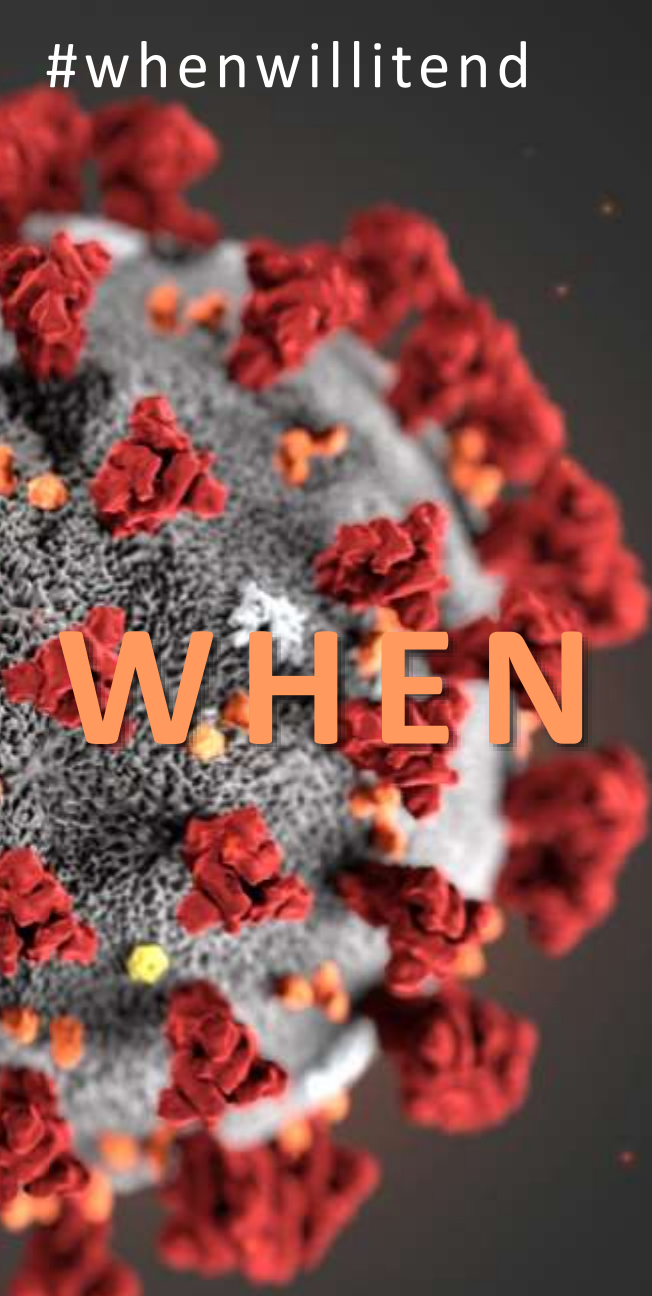


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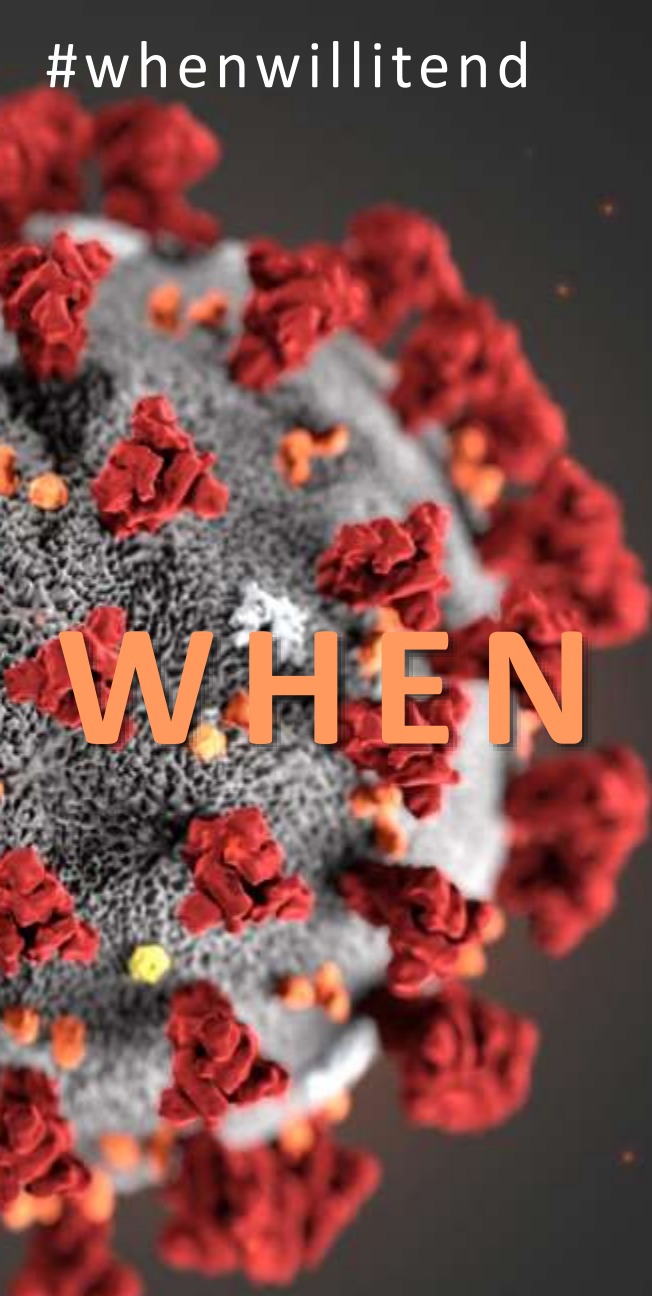


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God never tires of you calling out to Him. Even though God knows the questions of your heart before you say them, good can come by sharing your confusion, frustration, and fears with Him.



- KAREN TRIPP, Cancer Companions

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Psalm 13:1-2

¹How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?

²How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long will my enemy have the upper hand?

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

*God is not threatened by your questions. In fact, He wants you to express your heart to Him. Your questions don't challenge who **HE IS**, they help you process who **YOU ARE**.*

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

Psalm 129:23

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*If we are going to **question God**, we must also be willing to invite Him to **question us**.*

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

James 1:5

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

Let us go right into the presence of
God with sincere hearts fully trusting
him.

Hebrews 10:22

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

*What happens when we ask **sincerely**?*

- 1) We learn more about God's character.
- 2) We learn more about ourselves.
- 3) We draw closer to Him.

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

“Come now, and let us reason together,” says the Lord...

Isaiah 1:18

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GOD WELCOMES YOUR QUESTIONS

*Few things will draw you closer
to God like **seeking answers** to
your questions from Him.*

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Psalm 13:5-6

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How do we know we can trust God?

- 1) God has proven He's trustworthy.
- 2) He gave His life to make us His own.
- 3) He knows exactly what we need.

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YOU CAN TRUST GOD FOR ANSWERS

*God may not answer our questions the way we **want** or **expect** Him to, but we can trust that He has our best interest in mind.*

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YOU CAN TRUST GOD FOR ANSWERS

And we know [with great confidence] that God [who is deeply concerned about us] causes all things to work together [as a plan] for good for those who love God, to those who are called according to His plan and purpose.

Romans 8:28 (Amplified Bible)

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*Sometimes, the answers to our questions are in how we are pursuing **God's calling** on our lives.*

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We may be asking:

“God, how long will I be stuck in this current situation?”

When we should be asking:

“God what is it that you are teaching me, or asking me to do in this situation?”

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YOU CAN TRUST GOD FOR ANSWERS

When we begin to take God's calling seriously, we start to ask very different questions.

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YOU CAN TRUST GOD FOR ANSWERS

You ask and do not receive,
because your motives are all
wrong—you want only what will
give you pleasure.

James 4:3

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YOU CAN TRUST GOD FOR ANSWERS

*So much of what we believe about God and how He interacts with us, comes from our own **feelings** and not **His Word**.*

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Psalm 145:18

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

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***“I think the reason we sometimes have the false sense that God is so far away is because that is where we have put him. We have kept him at a distance, and then when we are in need and call on him in prayer, we wonder where he is. He is exactly where we left him.*”**

- Ravi Zacharias

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