

# God, It's Been Quite a Year... Mind if I Ask You a Question?

Tsunamis, earthquakes, floods, fires, terrorism—the past year has offered a lot of reasons to ask “why”? As far as faith and our world are concerned, there’s a lot we don’t understand. Are we supposed to blindly believe in God and stifle our most burning questions? Or is it okay to wonder out loud about the things that don’t make sense? A pastor for more than 35 years, Dr. James Merritt has fielded hundreds of questions from skeptics, seekers, sinners, and saints. Rather than discouraging people from questioning God, Dr. Merritt points out that the Bible is full of questions—3,294 to be exact!

In his new book, *God, I've Got a Question*, Dr. Merritt addresses 10 of the top questions of our time—questions that keep people awake at night and have spawned thousands upon thousands of debates between individuals and society at large. As Dr. Merritt reassures people that it’s good to ask the questions, he also points the way to clear answers that bring peace and satisfaction to questioning minds and breaking hearts.

*God, I've Got a Question* wrestles with the biggest questions about the nature of God, the mystery of faith, the meaning of life, and the confusion of the world around us—

- How do I know that the Bible is really God’s Word and that it applies to my life?
- In a culture that encourages free thought and acceptance of many ideas, why is the Christian worldview the only valid worldview?
- Did God use evolution to create the universe?
- How can a good God allow so much pain and suffering in the world?
- Why would a loving God ever send anyone to hell?
- Does God really have a plan for every person’s life? How does He reveal this?
- Where did we come from? Why are we here? How should we live?

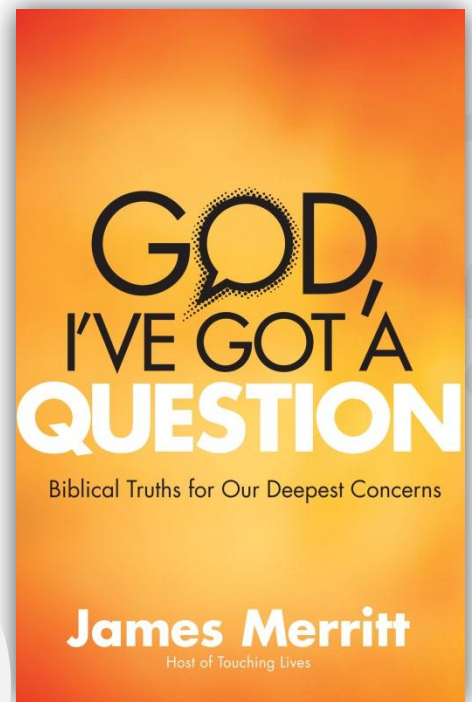
Dr. Merritt points out that much of God’s Word was written in anticipation of the age-old questions individuals worldwide find themselves asking. As he considers the questions, He shows that God’s answers from the Bible can comfort the heart and challenge the mind to go deeper with God than ever before.

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# INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- Is it okay to question God about the things we don't understand?
- How can we know for certain that the Bible is really God's Word?
- What are the only two basic worldviews that exist? How are they different at practically every point? What makes a worldview valid?
- How can Jesus be both fully God and fully man at the same time? How can one God be three persons simultaneously?
- How did the universe come into existence? Did God use evolution to create the universe? Why does the universe exist?
- Why do you say that evolution is more than just science? How is it both a philosophy and a kind of faith?
- How can a biblical God—who is love and who can do the impossible—allow so much evil, pain, and suffering in the world?
- Is the nation of Israel still special to God today? What changes have happened in Israel since 1948? Why are they significant?
- How could a loving God send anyone to hell?
- How does a person know God's will for his or her life? If you're facing a crucial decision right now, how can you make sure you get it right?
- How does God speak?
- Are people of other faiths in heaven or only followers of Jesus?



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