

1. We get frustrated with God when we take our view of life from what we \_\_\_\_\_ and experience.

Asaph – the prosperity of the \_\_\_\_\_  
Me -

*II Cor. 5:7 – “we live by faith, not by sight”*

2. Trying to make sense out of this life – apart from \_\_\_\_\_ – leads to oppression – v. 16; 21,22

“We know THAT God will take care of us – we just don’t know \_\_\_\_\_ He will, and that’s what we struggle with.”

*Isa. 55:8,9: “For My thoughts are not your thoughts neither are your ways My ways, declares the Lord. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.”*

God knows WHAT and \_\_\_\_\_ and WHEN!

3. Take your frustration with God to \_\_\_\_\_! – v. 17

The Message: “when I tried to figure it out, all I got was a splitting headache . . . Until I entered the sanctuary of God. Then I saw the whole picture.”

*II Cor. 4:8,9 (LB) We are pressed on every side by troubles, but not crushed and broken. We are perplexed because we don’t know why things happen as they do, but we don’t give up and quit. We are hunted down, but God never abandons us. We get knocked down, but we get up again and keep going.”*

*Job 23:3-5; 8,9 - If only I knew where to find him; if only I could go to his dwelling! I would state my case before him and fill my mouth with arguments. I would find out what he would answer me, and consider what he would say..... "But if I go to the east, he is not there; if I go to the west, I do not find him. When he is at work in the north, I do not see him; when he turns to the south, I catch no glimpse of him.*

4. God is right here \_\_\_\_\_ as you go through your tragedies!  
Ps. 73: 22 – 26, 28

*Job 23:10 – 12 - But he knows the way that I take; when he has tested me, I will come forth as gold. My feet have closely followed his steps; I have kept to his way without turning aside. I have not departed from the commands of his lips; I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my daily bread.*

This is perhaps the most important “take away” from today – Stay \_\_\_\_\_ to God in the midst of the frustrations of life!

