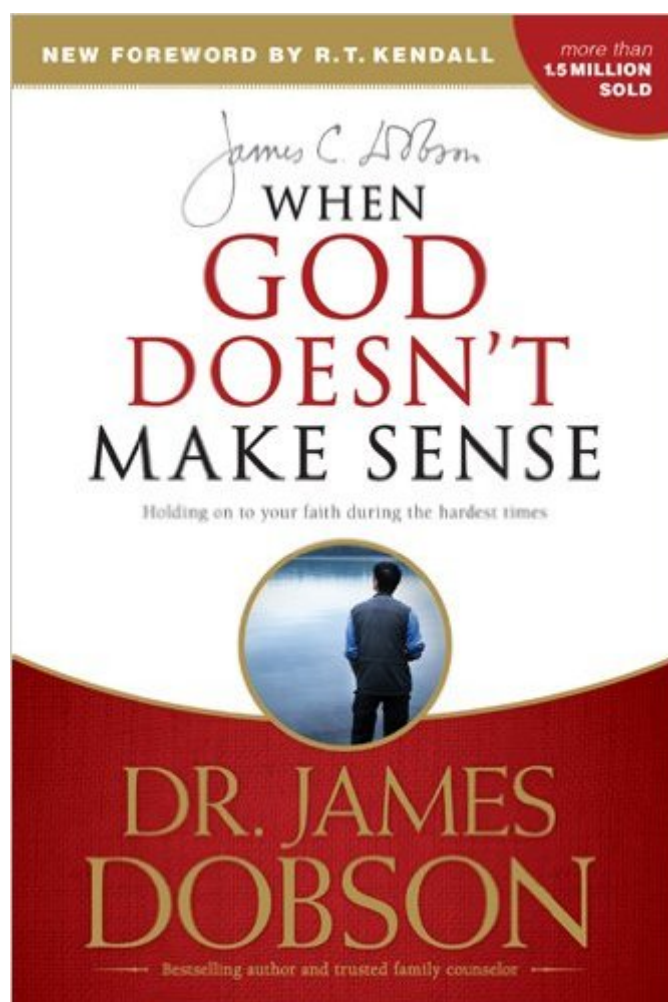


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# When God Doesn't Make Sense



## Synopsis

With more than one million copies sold, *When God Doesn't Make Sense* is an immensely practical book for those who are struggling with trials and heartaches they can't understand. Why does disease, natural disaster, divorce, rejection, death, or some other sorrow seep into our lives when we are trying to serve the Lord? It just doesn't seem fair! This book deals unflinchingly with life's most troubling question: "Why?" Drawing on his long experience as a Christian psychologist and family counselor, Dr. Dobson brings hope to those who have almost given up. *When God Doesn't Make Sense* also helps believers avoid the "betrayal barrier" – the sense that God is abandoning them amid the storms of life. Now with a new foreword by R. T. Kendall.

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The problem of pain. It's a hard topic and it's been tackled by wiser men than he, but Dobson gives it his best shot here and does a surprisingly nice job. This book won't blow away anyone's mind with new philosophical or theological insights, but it does give the average Christian a really good handbook on the subject of suffering. Why bad things do happen to Christians, what the Bible says about this, what the Bible DOESN'T say about it, and where God is in the midst of the suffering and confusion. As Dobson says, it's virtually guaranteed that every Christian will, at one time or another in their life, experience a tragedy that is powerful enough to rock their faith to its core. It is in that time when we need to be assured of what exactly it is that we believe about God, His love, and His promises. This book is a great preparation for that eventuality, and a really good salve for the

Christian who currently is wounded and in need of being picked up. Four stars, and a recommendation to those who can't find a copy of Philip Yancey's *Disappointment With God*.

Although I'm not a huge Dobson fan, I think that he really accomplishes a lot with this book. It is very readable and is extremely helpful in getting one to realize that although God doesn't "make sense" all of the time, we are still able to trust him and rely on him as a totally loving & caring God. One significant point that Dobson makes is that it is unrealistic for us to expect God to answer all of our prayers and make life easy for us. If God answered all Christian's prayers immediately, we Christians would never die, get sick, lose jobs, have cars break down, etc.! Everybody would want to become a Christian just for the benefits! God isn't a sugar daddy who caters to our desires - he is a sovereign God who **ALLOWS** things to happen to us, usually for our own development & growth

An incredible book that faces tough questions for those of you who believe in Him yet are struggling through a difficult situation with no easy answers. It reaches deep to the heart and allows a heart of sorrow to turn into a heart of courage and trust.

James Dobson has written many wonderful books, but I consider this one to be the best for me. So many things in our lives just don't make sense, but as long as we believe that God is in charge of everything and that all things happen for a reason we will be fine. This book has help me to see myself as a ring laying in the middle of God's hand and all his fingers surround me like shields. Nothing comes through those shields that he does not permit. Now when things get a little rough in my life I just remember, "I'm laying in the middle of God's hand and he's going to protect me." Thank-you

After the horrific deaths of my two children and reading over a dozen books, I can honestly say that this book has been the most helpful. It answers the hard questions truthfully and with tenderness. Most things we won't know this side of heaven but the comfort this book has given me is tremendous. I especially appreciate how real, caring and loving God is presented to the reader. I carry this book with me everywhere now and use it as a personal diary, adding my own thoughts next to topics that present themselves as I go about my day. Everyone will face circumstances in their life one day that will never make sense but this book helps put things in perspective. The journey is long and hard and this book will help no matter what you are facing today.

This book is awesome. We learn that God is in control of our life. Most of the time when we're experiencing difficulties in our life, we begin to questioning Him, whether or not He's there for us. The book taught us that God has a wonderful plan for each of us. Sometimes it doesn't look good if viewed from human perspectives. But He has His own way! Just believe and obey Him, and He will prove us that His plan is the most wonderful thing that will happen to us.

I come across this book in a very crucial moment in my life and reading this book gave the strenght that I needed to carry on. In several occasion I cried because the histories are real and touching. My heart was very sore, my mind confused because of so many things happening but as I read the book, I have learned that God is God and in control of everything.

This is by far the best of Dr Dobson yet. This book helped me keep anchored in God's goodness and promises at a time when my life appeared to have come to a complete halt. Dr Dobson does not patronize anyone, but commiserates how we feel and how easy it is to lose faith in God when things come crashing down. Thank you Dr for such a warm and touching spirit and wonderful book. I recommend this book to anyone who is believing that our Lord has abandoned him when he needs Him most. A definite "10" for believers and nonbelievers alike

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