



The
Problem
with
evil

Frequently Asked Questions

What does a conference in a box mean?

The Problem with Evil is the same material used at Transform's December 2008 conference. The kit, or conference in a box, is simply a compilation of content and promotional material so that any group can customize their own weekend (or longer period of time) focused on the Word of God.

How do I use it?

Be flexible. The material has been laid out over the course of a weekend. It can be done in a 24-hour period or it could be stretched out as a month-long series for youth groups or Bible studies. Again, be flexible and adapt it to serve the needs of your students!

How long do the sessions last?

The Bible study sessions were designed to last about an hour. The audio message outlines are written to be approximately 45 minutes, plus time spent in worship/games/etc. if used in the context of a youth worship service.

How do I use the audio messages and message outlines? Do I play them for the students?

No! The audio messages and outlines are designed to prep you to teach. Modify them to suit your style and needs as you teach the students. It is our experience that students do not engage well with audio messages and miss personal interaction with video presentations.

Who wrote the study?

Ritchie Johnson, Director of Transform Student Ministries, wrote the teaching material. He's also the featured speaker in the kit audio sessions. The staff of Precept Ministries International edited the content.

What if I need more student or leader books?

You can order additional student workbooks (sold in packs of five) and individual leader guides to customize this material to the size of your group. The kit just gets you started with a leader's guide, five student workbooks, and the media/promotional components.

Can it be used with anyone other than teens?

Sure, but it was written with teens in mind. You know your audience the best. Check out the free downloadable lesson on the webpage to determine if this content fits best for your group.

Do you have to be a Precept leader to teach the material?

Absolutely not. This study was written as an introduction to the Inductive Bible Study Method. We encourage first-time users to take the material and teach it. That's the purpose of the notes within the leader's guide as well as the instructional videos which can be found in the kit and on "The Problem with Evil" webpage.

What promotional material is included, and how should it be used?

We've included bulletin inserts, posters, PowerPoint slides, videos and more to help you advertise your event. The customizable PDFs can be updated with your event information and printed at your choosing. Feel free to send the video files to anyone who is interested in partnering with you for the event!

Why aren't there video teachings?

Simply because we want to equip you, not replace you. If you really want videos instead of audio messages, then let us know that and we'll pray about it during the development of future Transform Weekend Series releases.

What's the vision behind "The Problem with Evil"?

Well, it's multifaceted.

- 1- We want to expose students to God's Word so the Holy Spirit can go to work on them.
- 2- The study deals with issues that students (and all people) are concerned with but mostly afraid to ask.
- 3- We want to equip and serve youth leaders. As a former youth pastor, Ritchie understands how the schedule works. If Transform Ministries can produce solid, biblical materials that can cut your prep time and save you money while putting students into the Word of God—that's a win-win proposition!
- 4- Giving is down and so are a lot of family and church budgets. This is a way that youth leaders can do their own weekend event (or similar event)—saving thousands of dollars in the process for churches and families!