

Where is God in this?

That was the question a Quaker pastor used to ask me over and over again. She was my spiritual director for ten years. (Pastors need pastors, too). I would be describing some dilemma, offering some complaint, maybe whining about something hard I had to do. She would listen with great patience, even prayerfully. Then she would ask the question. But she would never answer it. That was up to me.

I offer it to you. For the question opens up new doors:

No matter how it may feel, I am not alone in this.

God has something I need to learn.

There are ways to go forward I have not seen yet.

God has not abandoned me.

And so on. I invite you to try this question as you look at your day, your choices, your dilemmas. God is with us and God's Spirit is ready to help.

God be with you,
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