

The longest and most detailed illustration of a confused soul in the Bible is the story of Job. At the beginning of his story, all was well. Then everything fell apart in his life - he lost it all. He then spent 37 chapters dialoguing with friends about what had happened. Finally, at the end of his story, he listened to the wisdom of God, and his eyes were opened and his life restored. Two things made a difference: time and listening to God.

Who among us does not encounter and experience things we don't understand? It happens often, sometimes daily. Waiting (time) doesn't mean passivity; it means active faith in God's purposes and plans. It means walking by faith, and not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7) The active part of waiting is seeking God for wisdom and understanding.

God knows our future even before we take the steps that lead us there. Indeed, "the Lord directs [our] steps". (Proverbs 16:9) If you experience doubt and confusion, patiently seek the Lord and trust that He *is* working out His plans for you.

Psalm 139:16 "Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. In Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them."