

# THE SHACK SERIES

*Part Three: "So You Just Let Him Get Away With It?"*

## 1. Why Is There So Much Evil In The World?

## 2. Is There An Evil Spirit At Work In The World?

Jesus said, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy." John 10:10

"Each one is tempted when he's carried away and enticed by his own lust and when lust has conceived it gives birth to sin. And when sin is accomplished it brings forth death." James 1:15

## 3. Why Doesn't God Put A Final Stop To Evil?

"Count on this. The wicked won't get off scott free and God's loyal people will triumph." Proverbs 11:21

"The evil have no future. Their life will be snuffed out."  
Proverbs 24:20

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## 3 BIG PRINCIPLES

“God is restraining Himself on account of you, holding back the end because He doesn’t want anyone lost. He’s giving everyone space and time to change.”

2 Peter 3:9

**#1. We Are Very Inconsistent On This Topic**

**#2. We Wouldn't Understand It All, Even If God Explained It To Us**

“My thoughts are not your thoughts. Neither are My ways your ways,’ declares the Lord. ‘As the heavens are higher than the earth so are My ways higher than your ways, My thoughts higher than your thoughts.’”

Isaiah 55

**#3. We Can Ask "Why?" But That Won't Help. Or We Can Ask, "God, to what end will You work this?" And We'll Face The Future With Hope.**

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## WHAT DOES GOD DO WHEN WE SUFFER?

\* He Draws Us to Himself

\* He Develops Character Within Us

“There’s more to come. We continue to shout our praise even when we’re hemmed in with trouble because we know how troubles can develop passionate patience in us. And how that patience in turn forges that tempered steel of virtue keeping us alert for whatever God will do next.” Romans 5:3

\* He Deepens Our Perspective

“Since God assured us, ‘I’ll never let you down, never walk off and leave you,’ we can boldly quote God is here ready to help. I’m fearless no matter what.”

Hebrews 13:5

“Even when I walk through the dark valley of death, I will not be afraid because You are close beside me.” Psalm 23

“So we’re not giving up. How could we? ... The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can’t see now will last forever.” 2 Corinthians 4:17

“That’s why I don’t think there’s any comparison between the present hard times and the coming good times.” Romans 8:18

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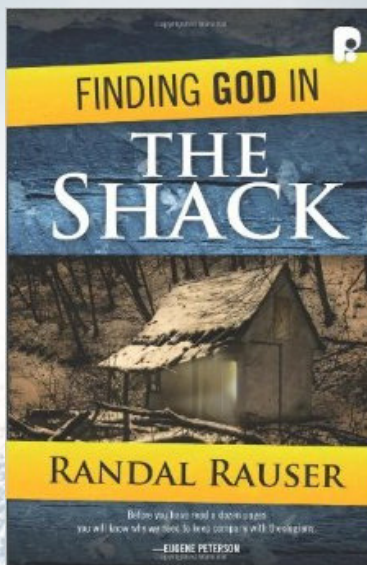
## TWO BIG DECISIONS

#1. Defeat evil Where You Can.

#2. Depend on God, Even When You hurt.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Pastor Gene's  
Book Recommendations



**"Finding God In The Shack"**

**by Randal Rauser**

Pastor Tim's Music  
Recommendation



**"LOVE MADE A WAY"**

**by Aaron Shust**

## Film Recommendation

