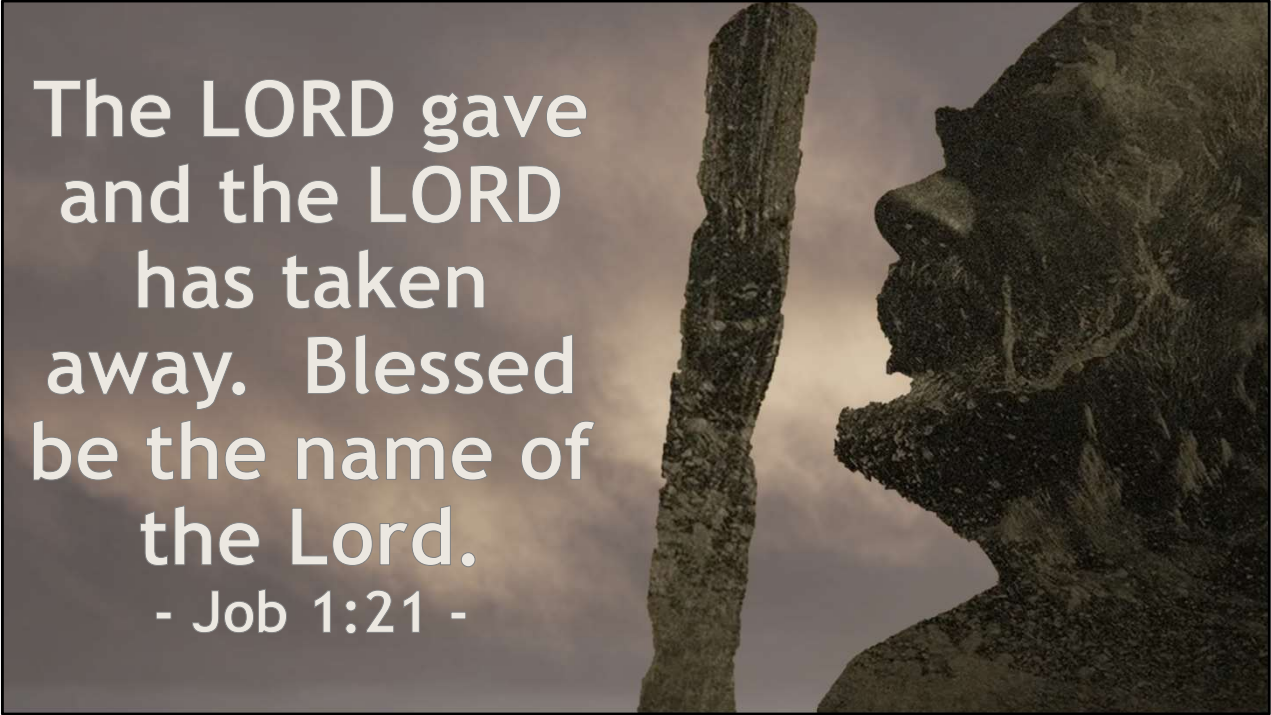


YET
I WILL SEE GOD
A Study in Job



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- Job 1:21 -

[Job 1:20-22 NASB20] 20 Then Job got up, tore his robe, and shaved his head; then he fell to the ground and worshiped. 21 He said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked I shall return there. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away. Blessed be the name of the LORD." 22 Despite all this, Job did not sin, nor did he blame God.

Bless you God!!

“The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away. Blessed be the name of the LORD.” 1:21

- What does Jobs statement declare? Job 1:21 He said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked I shall return there. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away. Blessed be the name of the LORD."
- “Despite all this, Job did not sin, nor did he blame God.” Your reflections?
- “his wife said to him, “Do you still hold firm your integrity? Curse God and die!” 2:9 Reveals important truths, which are?
- “Despite all this, Job did not sin with his lips.” Also shows what insight?
- Is it ok to question God?
- What does Gods sovereignty mean? And how does it impact you?
- Some other texts also refer to our very limited humanity, please read: Gen.3:19,

Ps.49:17, Eccl.5:15-16, 12:7, 1Tim.6:6-8

•Are you able, by Gods grace, to see His goodness and blessings in the hardest times? Can God really command us to rejoice in the Lord always....and in everything give thanks? How do we do this?

•Should God use you and your life to be a living illustration of His sovereignty and to demonstrate to the world the glory God is due and the faith He grants His people, would you accept it?

•Do you believe the benefit of the inspiring lessons from this one mans life to help untold Millions of believers over the last 3000 years was worth it? Do you think job would now agree?

•How would you answer Epicurus' Dilemma? Is God willing to prevent evil, but not able? Then He is not omnipotent. Is He able but not willing? Then He is malevolent (not worthy to be God). Is He both able and willing? Then whence cometh Evil? Is he neither able nor willing? Then why call Him God?

Humbling ourselves! Or Humiliated?

- Job 1:20 - Then Job got up, tore his robe, and shaved his head; then he fell to the ground and worshipped.
- He was sitting, got up . . . And fell to the ground!
- Tore his robe = stripped of all glory, H/W/P
- Shave his head = Ezra 9:3 sat down appalled
- And Worshipped! King David too! - 2 Samuel 12:19-20

Humbling ourselves is the opposite of what most do when they

1. Questions Gods heart and goodness
2. Judge His unfairness to our worthiness
3. Curse His will, contrary to ours which is better

Job ... tore his robe, symbolizing inner turmoil and shock (cf. 2:12; Gen. 37:29, 34; 44:13; Jud. 11:35), and shaved his head (cf. Isa. 15:2; Jer. 48:37; Ezek. 7:18), depicting the loss of his personal glory. Falling to the ground, not in despair, but in obeisance to God, Job worshipped. Job recognized that his loss resembled his birth and his death: he had been **naked at birth, and he would be naked at death.** Similarly, now he was figuratively naked. The words naked I will depart (lit., “return there”) suggest that he would return to his mother’s womb. But how could that be? Speaking of the womb of one’s mother was sometimes a poetic way of referring to the earth (cf. Ps. 139:15; Ecc. 5:15; 12:7). The connection is obvious; for man, formed in the womb, is also made “from dust from the ground” (Gen. 2:7; cf. Gen. 3:19; Job 10:9; 34:15; Ps. 103:14), and the earth, when it yields crops, “living” things, is something like a mother giving birth to a baby.

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He was sitting - he didn't just slump over into depression, he actively sought god in humility!

Tore his robes - He is no longer the greatest man in the east! He is stripped of any regalia, exterior glory, even His motives are now very exposed! Like the prodigal son who got a new robe, Like robes of self righteousness . H/W/P health, wealth prosperity

Shaved his head - [Ezr 9:3 NASB20] 3 When I heard about this matter, I tore my garment and my robe, and pulled out some of the hair from my head and my beard, and sat down appalled.

[2Sa 12:19-20 CSB] 19 When David saw that his servants were whispering to each other, he guessed that the baby was dead. So he asked his servants, "**Is the baby dead?**" "**He is dead,**" they replied. **20 Then David got up from the ground. He washed, anointed himself, changed his clothes, went to the LORD's house, and worshiped.** Then he went home and requested something to eat. So they served him food, and he ate.

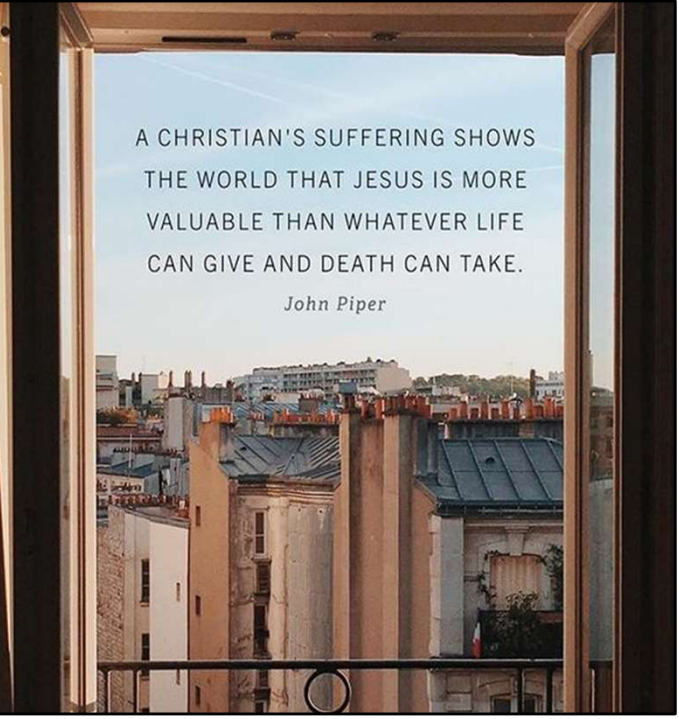
[Jas 4:6-10 NASB20] 6 But He gives a greater grace. Therefore [it] says, "GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." 7 Submit therefore to God. But resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come close to God and He will come close to you. Cleanse [your] hands, you sinners; and purify [your] hearts, you double-minded. 9 Be miserable, and mourn, and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning, and your joy into gloom. 10 Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.

Job's Suffering:

- Exposes our pettiness/selfishness
- Tests Job's hearts deepest affections
- Proves his Trust/Love in God
- Displays God's compassion and mercy

James 1:12 - Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which [the Lord] has promised to those who love Him.

James 5:11 - We count those blessed who endure. You have heard of the endurance of Job and have seen the outcome of the Lord's dealings, that the Lord is full of compassion and [is] merciful.



A CHRISTIAN'S SUFFERING SHOWS
THE WORLD THAT JESUS IS MORE
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John Piper

A Christians suffering shows the world that Jesus is more valuable than whatever life can give and death can take
Piper

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Naked I came ... And naked I shall return

- God alone created you and controls life/death
- You started with nothing, All good things from God!
- You can't take it with you! But...Matthew 6:20
- We will all stand naked before Him! - Hebrews 4:13
- Job 14:5 - "Since his days are determined, the number of his months is with You; and You have set his limits so that he cannot pass."
& Ecclesiastes 3:11

God is Sovereign!

Job looked backward, forward and upward!

Naked entry and exit means that nothing in this world has eternal value or lasts! Including our fleshly bodies. This world is temporal!

[Ecc 3:11 NASB20] 11 He has made everything appropriate in its time. **He has also set eternity in their heart**, without [the possibility that] mankind will find out the work which God has done from the beginning even to the end.

[Job 14:1, 5 NASB20] 1 "Man, who is born of woman, is short-lived and full of turmoil. ... 5 "Since his days are determined, The number of his months is with You; And You have set his limits so that he cannot pass.

[Heb 4:12-16 NASB20] 12 For the word of God is living and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, even penetrating as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. 13 **And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him to whom we must answer.** 14 Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the

Son of God, let's hold firmly to our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things just as [we are, yet] without sin. 16 Therefore let's approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help at the time of [our] need.

[Job 14:5 NASB20] 5 "Since his days are determined, The number of his months is with You; And You have set his limits so that he cannot pass.

[Ecc 8:8 NASB20] 8 **No one has authority over the wind to restrain the wind, nor authority over the day of death;** and there is no [military] discharge in the time of war, and evil will not save those who practice it.

[Psa 22:9 NASB20] 9 Yet You are He who brought me forth from the womb; You made me trust [when] upon my mother's breasts.

[Psa 22:10 NASB20] 10 I was cast upon You from birth; You have been my God from my mother's womb.

[Psa 71:6 NASB20] 6 I have leaned on You since [my] birth; You are He who took me from my mother's womb; My praise is continually of You.

[Ecc 3:2 NASB20] 2 A time to give birth and a time to die; A time to plant and a time to uproot what is planted.

[Ecc 7:1 NASB20] 1 A good name is better than good oil, And the day of [one's] death [is better] than the day of one's birth.

[Psa 139:13-16 NASB20] 13 For You created my innermost parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. 14 I will give thanks to You, because I am awesomely and wonderfully [made;] Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from You When I was made in secret, [And] skillfully formed in the depths of the earth; 16 Your eyes have seen my formless substance; And in Your book were written All the days that were ordained [for me,] When as yet there was not one of them.

[Job 10:9, 12 NASB20] 9 'Remember that You have made me as clay; Yet would You turn me into dust again? ... 12 'You have granted me life and goodness; And Your care has guarded my spirit.

[Job 31:15 NASB20] 15 "Did He who made me in the womb not make him, And the same one create us in the womb?

[Isa 46:3 NASB20] 3 "Listen to Me, house of Jacob, And all the remnant of the house of Israel, You who have been carried [by Me] from birth And have been carried from the womb;

[Jer 1:5 NASB20] 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, And before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

[Mat 6:19-21 NIV] 19 "**Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,** where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there

your heart will be also.

[Mat 19:21 NIV] 21 Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

[Luk 12:33 NIV] 33 Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.

[Luk 16:9 NIV] 9 I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

[Luk 18:22 NIV] 22 When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

[Phl 4:17 NASB20] 17 Not that I seek the gift [itself,] but I seek the profit which increases to your account.

God alone created you! You were made for a purpose! To know, love and serve him! Anything else is betrayal! He made you as you are! Trans is rebellion against His design!

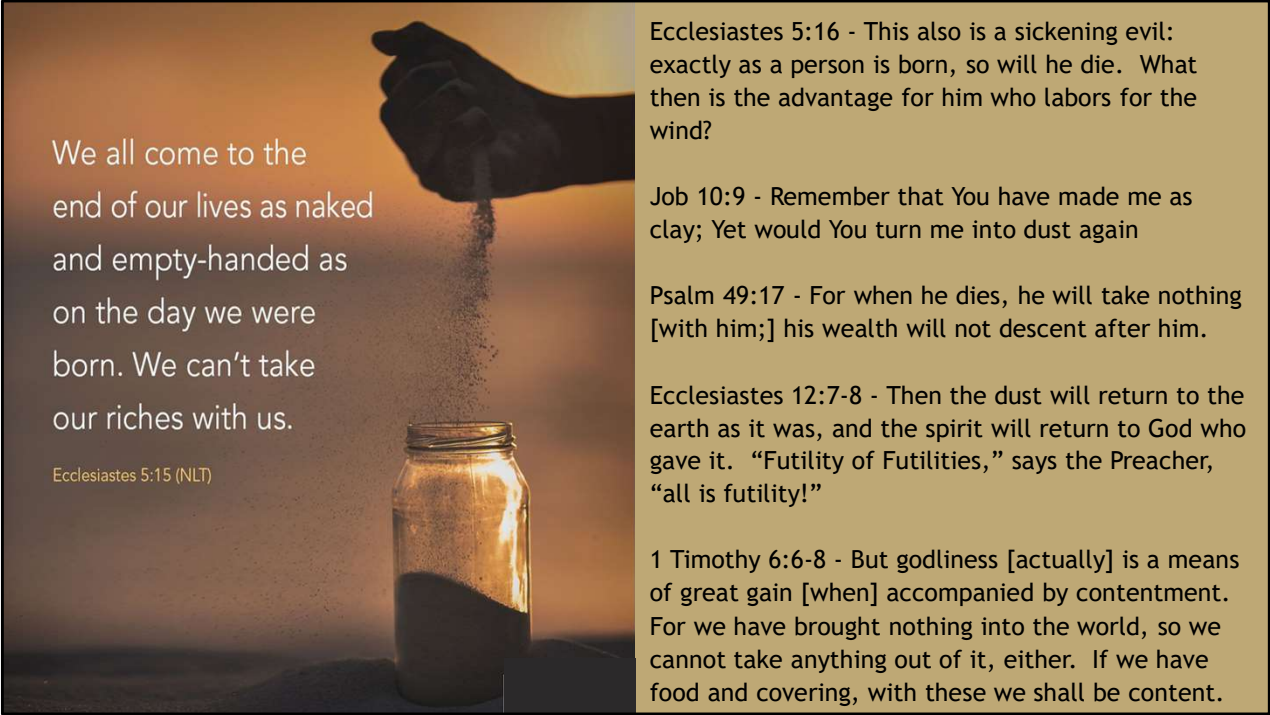
We all started evenly! We end evenly! Did you leave an impact on this world or its inhabitants? Everything you had in this life that's good was from God and meant to bring you to repentance!

You can take it with you BUT you CAN send it ahead! We need to be clothed in His righteousness!

We will all stand naked! He was naked for us!

Isa 61:10 I will rejoice greatly in the LORD, My soul will be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a groom puts on a turban, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.





We all come to the
end of our lives as naked
and empty-handed as
on the day we were
born. We can't take
our riches with us.

Ecclesiastes 5:15 (NLT)

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Psalm 49:17 - For when he dies, he will take nothing [with him;] his wealth will not descent after him.

Ecclesiastes 12:7-8 - Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it. "Futility of Futilities," says the Preacher, "all is futility!"

1 Timothy 6:6-8 - But godliness [actually] is a means of great gain [when] accompanied by contentment. For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it, either. If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.

Sooooo do you want to labor for the here and now or for the then and forever!

Ecc 5:15 NASB20] 15 As he came naked from his mother's womb, so he will return as he came. He will take nothing from the fruit of his labor that he can carry in his hand.

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Lam 3:37-38 Who is there who speaks and it comes to pass, Unless the Lord has commanded [it?] 38 [Is it] not from the mouth of the Most High That both adversity and good proceed?

Jas 1:12 Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which [the Lord] has promised to those who love Him.

Jas 1:17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

The LORD gave and the LORD has taken

- God is Sovereign! Even when satan pounces
- God is Above me! He is My King!
 - Holy is His name!
 - His is Good, Always! - Psalm 145:9
 - HE is wiser than I, I can trust Him, Yet I will see!
 - What do we want more of? Less stuff but more of God!
 - Despite all this, Job...worshipped! It is about Him!

And the Lord will/Has Given again, even more!

- His Power and glory - He's my King
- His character, He's far superior to me, holy is His name
- His kindness and intent toward me, He is good
- His wisdom in His ways, His will is better than mine (overall)
- His reliability and faithfulness, his love for us
- His worth! Worthship!

Consider; All that we would've ever known of Job, without his trials and suffering, would've simply been his unproven character, his wealth and fame. Now we know more of Gods personal attention in our singular lives and His providential care and what will happen to believers in the Life after death! More than the rest of the old testament put together!

[Ecc 5:1-2 NASB20] 1 Guard your steps as you go to the house of God, and approach to listen rather than to offer the sacrifice of fools; for they do not know that they are doing evil. 2 Do not be quick with your mouth or impulsive in thought to bring up a matter in the presence of God. For God is in heaven and you are on the earth; therefore let your words be few.

[Mat 6:9-10 NASB20] 9 "Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father, who is in heaven,

Hallowed be Your name. 10 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

Genesis 50:19–20

¹⁹And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God?

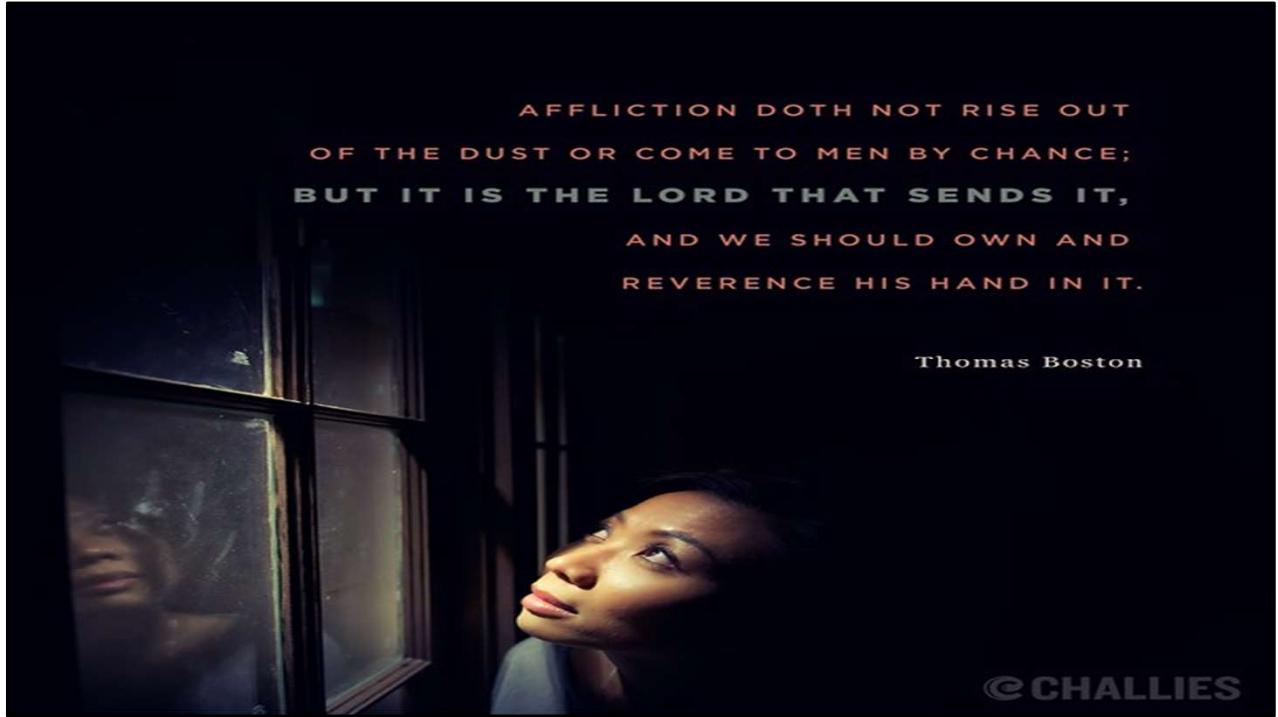
²⁰But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.



[Gen 50:20 NASB20] 20 "As for you, you meant evil against me, [but] God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to keep many people alive.

[Psa 105:17 NASB20] 17 He sent a man before them, Joseph, [who] was sold as a slave.

[Act 2:23 NASB20] 23 this [Man,] delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put [Him] to death.



Even when Joseph was sold into slavery and wrongfully maligned and jailed



**IF GOD WAS IN CONTROL
AT HISTORY'S DARKEST HOUR
†
GOD WILL BE IN CONTROL
AT YOUR DARKEST HOUR**

NOT OF THIS WORLD.

Since God was in control at History's darkest hour
God will be in control of your darkest hour!
The Ultimate injustice was deliberately orchestrated by God against His son for
our sakes!

Despite all this . . . Faith believes!

- **Despite all this (2x) . . . It ain't over! YET!**
- **Inquire of God, don't Indict Him! Ask, not attack!**
- **Despite all this, Job did not sin . . . (how would he?)**
- **"Yet" is 17x in Job. 19:25-26 "Yet...I will see God!"**
- **Job believed in God's love, goodness and ongoing work! Job was living by faith despite his feelings!**

"regardless of," "even though," or "notwithstanding." **Don't pass judgment just yet!**

[Job 1:22 NASB20] 22 **Despite all this**, Job did not sin, **nor did he blame God.**

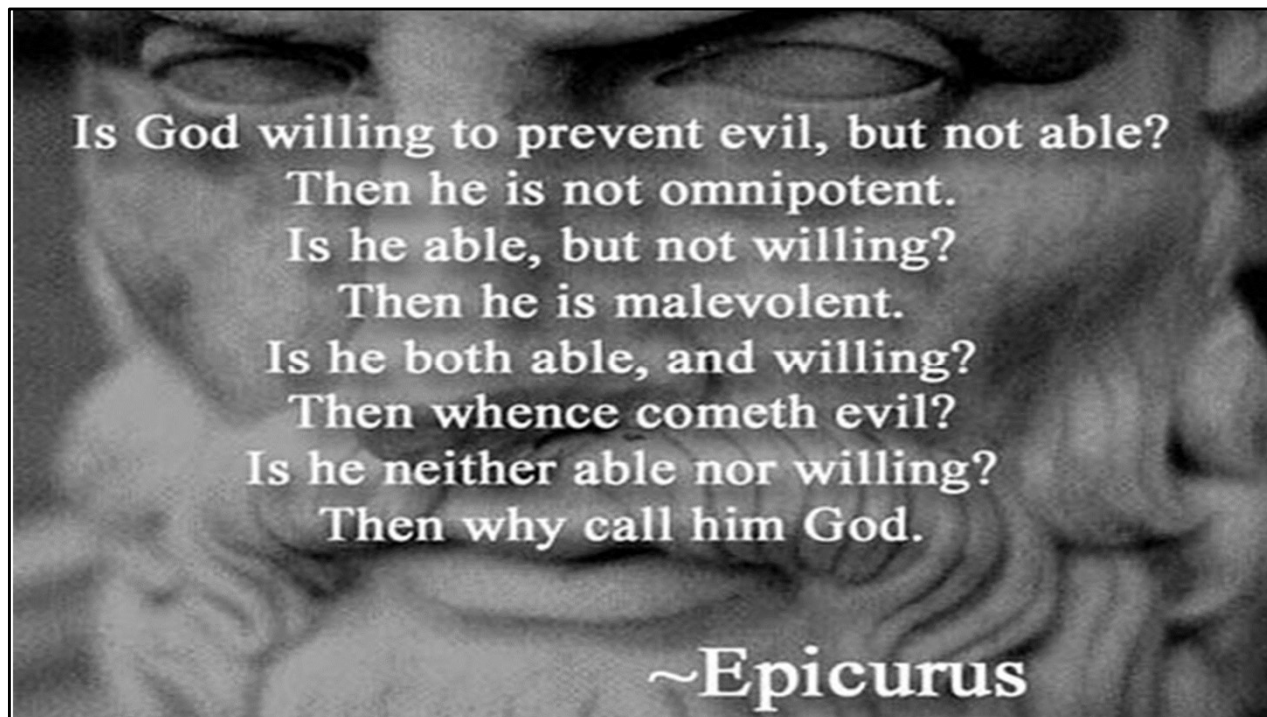
[Job 2:10 NASB20] 10 But he said to her, "You are speaking as one of the foolish women speaks. Shall we actually accept good from God but not accept adversity?" **Despite all this**, Job did not sin with his lips.

Job did not sin... (how would he?)

1. **Self murder,**
2. **Chasing idols since he would've bailed on believing gods ways work.**
3. **Sin by cursing God, blaspheming! Which he worried his children would do and his wife did do!**

[Job 19:25-26 NASB20] 25 "**Yet** as for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, And at the last, He will take His stand on the earth. 26 "Even after my skin is destroyed, **Yet** from my flesh **I will see God**,

[Job 33:14 NASB20] 14 "Indeed God speaks once, Or twice, [yet] no one notices it.



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[Act 17:18 NASB20] 18 And some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers as well were conversing with him. Some were saying, "What could this scavenger of tidbits want to say?" Others, "He seems to be a proclaimer of strange deities,"-- because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection.

Epicurean and Stoics, Kirk and Spock!

Epicurus asserted that philosophy's purpose is to attain as well as to help others attain happy ([eudaimonic](#)), tranquil lives characterized by [ataraxia](#) (peace and freedom from fear) and [aponia](#) (the absence of pain).

Epicurus was an [empiricist](#), meaning he believed that only the senses are a reliable source of knowledge about the world.

There are always presuppositions!

- God doesn't owe us answers! He does as He pleases!
- Define Evil! Epicurus says any/all suffering is evil
- God suffers (long!) our insolence, rebellion, sins ...
- God doesn't already suppress/prevent evil?
- God IS Able and Willing, He's just waiting!
- 2 Peter 3:9
- Epicurus' blasphemy offers No Hope! No salvation!

Presuppositional Apologetix!!

Don't let your adversary's set the rules for debate and discussion. We ALL have resumptons, including us!

God says the greatest Suffering is our sin against Him, our contemptuousness, our insolence, arrogance...

First of All, Epicurus was judging his/Greek gods, who aren't real! Epicurus taught that **although the gods exist, they have no involvement in human affairs**. He taught that people should act ethically not because the gods punish or reward them for their actions but because, due to the power of guilt, amoral behavior would inevitably lead to remorse

Secondly, define evil! Don't let your adversary's control the definition of terms. Can we agree on what today is Justice (unborn), Tolerance, Gay, Love, Woman,

Third, Who is the real victim or the one who suffers the most contempt? Us of God!

4th, Imagine what this world would be like If God left us entirely to ourselves!

Rom.1 God gave them over, 2Thess.2:7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He[fn] who now restrains will do so until He[fn] is taken out of the way.

5th If God prevented evil from the beginning, NONE of us would still be here!

6th Its real easy to criticize the way things are, blaming God, but what does Atheism have to offer?!!!

To Epicureans, death is annihilation, the breakdown of the atomic connections that make us ourselves, and there is no afterlife.

<https://bmc.brynmawr.edu/2022/2022.02.03/#:-:text=To%20Epicureans%2C%20death%20is%20annihilation,Men>.

Epicurus was popularly, though inaccurately, remembered as a patron of drunkards, whoremongers, and gluttons. Epicureanism quickly devolves into Eat, drink and be merry and then to Hedonism!

Why are you entitled to blessings, pleasures, comforts and health? So much so that you can demand it, call God unworthy and unloving and evil... Who are humans to judge God?!!

Scripture says we are entitled to Gods wrath!!! We deserve hell!

God suffers (long) our insolence, rebellion, sins...Humans are evil!!! Mt.7:11 Most of the evil in this world is inflicted by other people (who are good?) or ourselves! Epicurus died from gall bladder disease? according to Epicurus's successor Hermarchus, Epicurus died a slow and painful death in 270 BC at the age of seventy-two from a stone blockage of his urinary tract.[35][36]

Epicurus: I have written this letter to you on a happy day to me, which is also the last day of my life. For I have been attacked by a painful inability to urinate, and also dysentery, so violent that nothing can be added to the violence of my sufferings. But the cheerfulness of my mind, which comes from the recollection of all my philosophical contemplation

Insolence - contemptuously rude or impertinent behavior or speech

You and I are Evil, still demand He deal with evil?!!

[Mat 7:11 NASB20] 11 "So if you, [despite] being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!

[Gen 6:5 NASB20] 5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of mankind was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually.

[Gen 8:21 NASB20] 21 The LORD smelled the soothing aroma, and the LORD said to

Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.

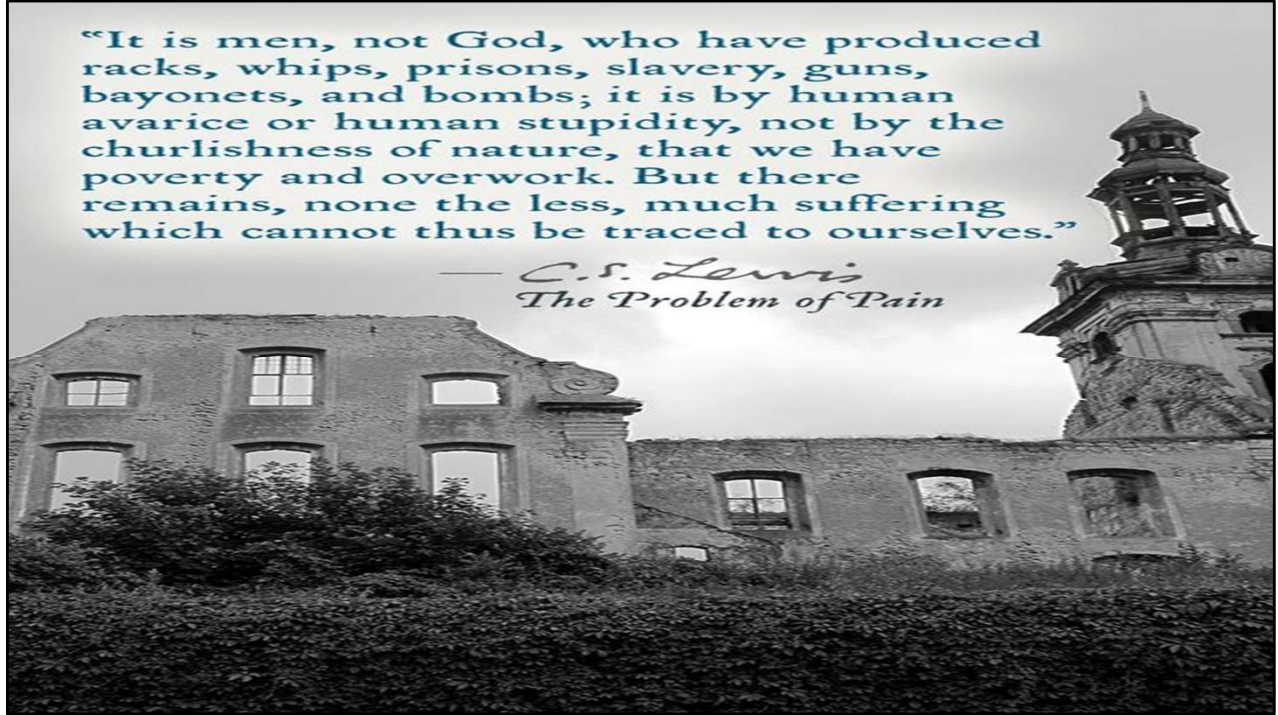
[Job 15:16 NASB20] 16 How much less one who is detestable and corrupt: A person who drinks malice like water!

[Jer 17:9 NASB20] 9 "The heart is more deceitful than all else And is desperately sick; Who can understand it?

[Rom 3:9, 19 NASB20] 9 What then? Are we better [than they?] Not at all; for we have already charged that both Jews and Greeks are all under sin; ... 19 Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God;

[Eph 2:1-3 NASB20] 1 And you were dead in your offenses and sins, 2 in which you previously walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. 3 Among them we too all previously lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the rest.

[Tit 3:3 NASB20] 3 For we too were once foolish, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

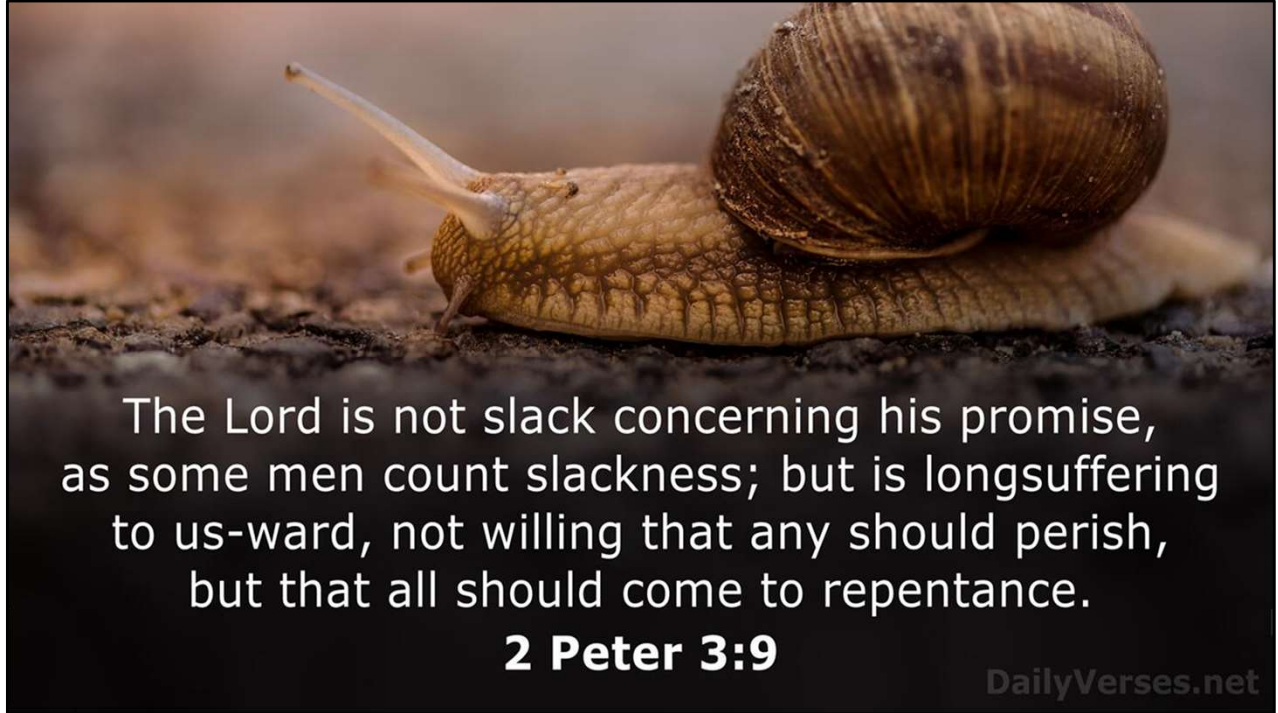


“It is men, not God, who have produced racks, whips, prisons, slavery, guns, bayonets, and bombs; it is by human avarice or human stupidity, not by the churlishness of nature, that we have poverty and overwork. But there remains, none the less, much suffering which cannot thus be traced to ourselves.”

— *C.S. Lewis*
The Problem of Pain

The Problem of pain!

Why didn't Epicurus blame Men, especially if he didn't really believe in God?

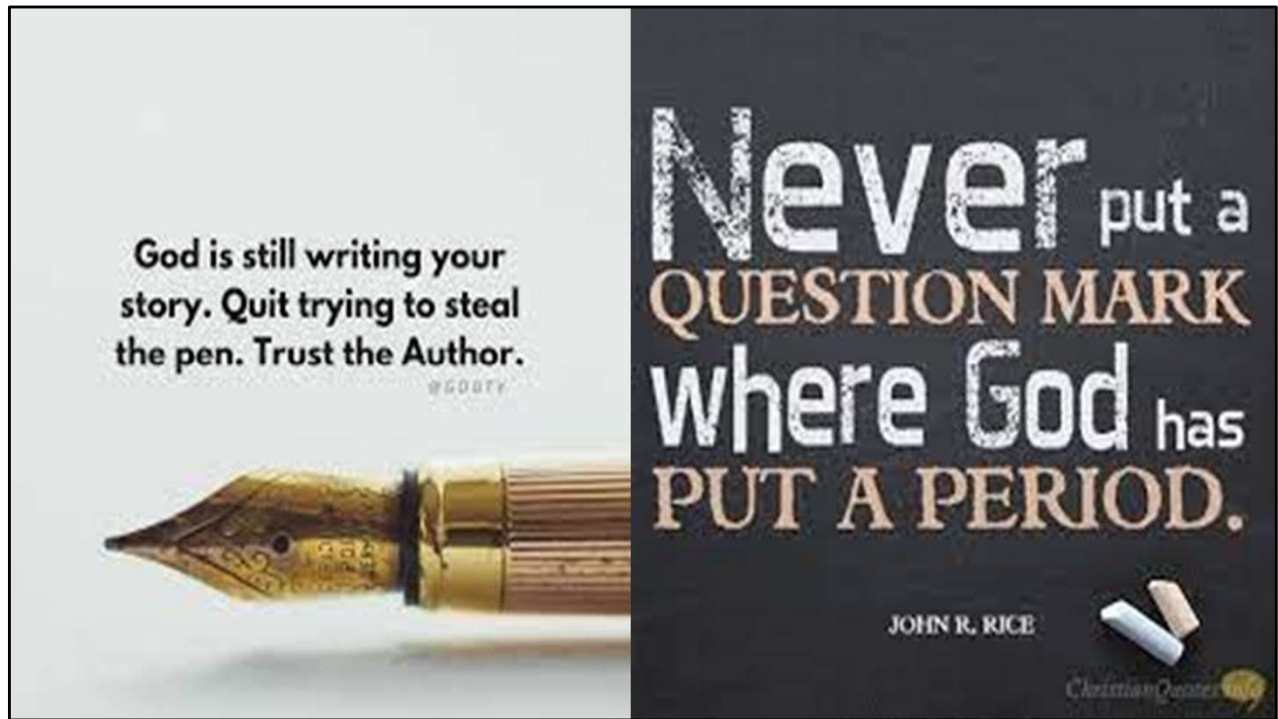


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as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering
to us-ward, not willing that any should perish,
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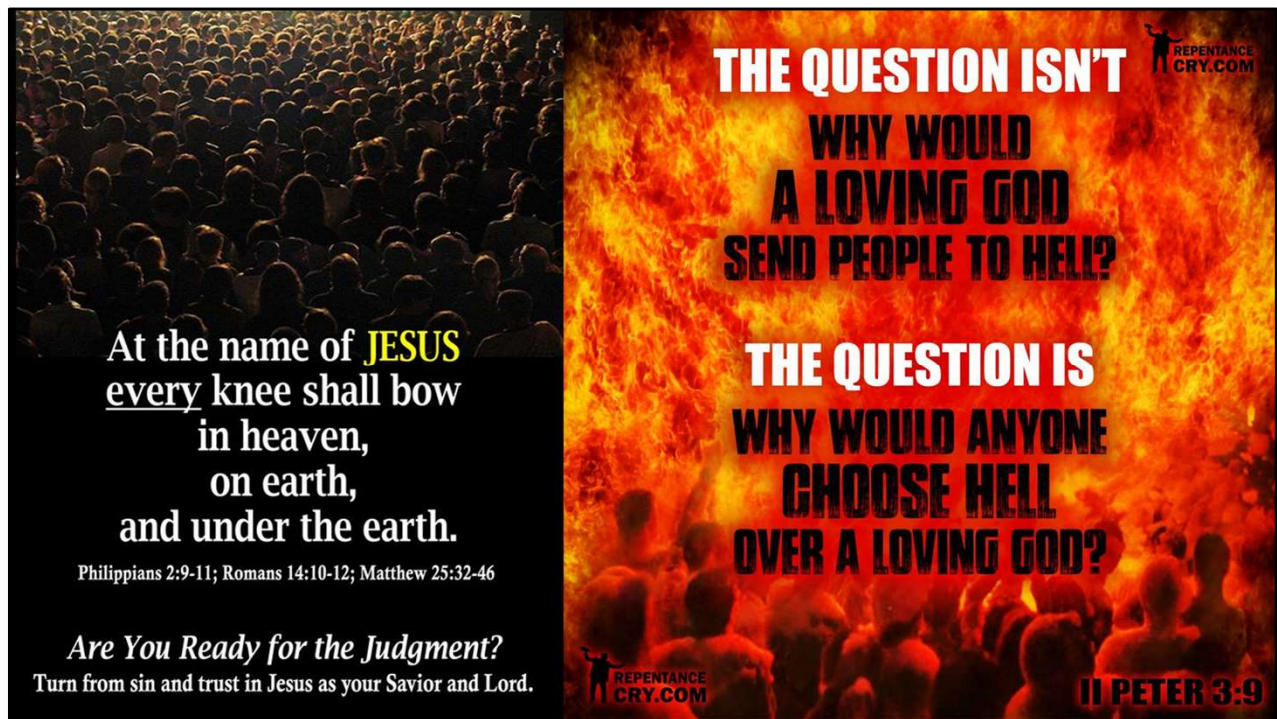
2 Peter 3:9

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[2Pe 3:9 NASB20] 9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not willing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance.



Your sins are forgiven!



Under the Earth!!

The wicked cry out the goodness, holiness and worthiness of God from Hell and on their knees!

They will vindicate Gods goodness and glory!

People try to blame God for Hell when He has done the impossible and extraordinary to save us. We don't want to be saved from our sin, just His judgment!

Phl 2:10-11 NASB20] 10 so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and [that] every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

[Rev 5:3, 13 NASB20] 3 And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. ... 13 And I heard every created thing which is in heaven, or on the earth, or under the earth, or on the sea, and all the things in them, saying, "To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb [be] the blessing, the honor, the glory, and the dominion forever and ever."

[Jhn 3:16-19 NASB20] 16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life. 17 "For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but so that the world might be saved through Him. 18 "The one who believes in Him is not judged; the one who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19 "And this is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the Light; for their deeds were evil.

Gnawing pains

- **Severe boils** from foot to the top of his head - 2:7
- Itching? Needed scraped - 2:8
- Left him unrecognizable - 2:12, 19:17
- Loss of appetite, weight loss, nausea? - 3:24, 33:21
- Uneasy, can't find comfort - 3:24-26
- Maggots in his boils, fly swarms? - 7:5

[Job 2:7 NASB20] 7 Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD and struck Job with **severe boils from the sole of his foot to the top of his head.**

[Job 2:8 NASB20] 8 And [Job] **took a piece of pottery to scrape himself while he was sitting in the ashes.**

[Job 2:12 NASB20] 12 When they looked from a distance and **did not recognize him**, they raised their voices and wept. And each of them tore his robe, and they threw dust over their heads toward the sky.

[Job 3:24 NASB20] 24 "For **my groaning comes at the sight of my food**, And my cries pour out like water.

[Job 6:11 NASB20] 11 "**What is my strength, that I should wait?** And what is my end, that I should endure? Lethargy?

[Job 7:5 NASB20] 5 "My flesh is **clothed with maggots and a crust of dirt**, My skin **hardens and oozes.**

[Job 9:18 NASB20] 18 "He will **not allow me to get my breath**, But He saturates me **with bitterness.** Fighting for breath

[Job 16:16 NASB20] 16 "My face is flushed from **weeping**, And deep **darkness is on my eyelids**,

[Job 19:17 NASB20] 17 "My **breath is offensive to my wife**, And **I am loathsome to my own brothers.** Halitosis

[Job 19:20 NASB20] 20 "My **bone clings to my skin and my flesh**, And I have

escaped [only] by the skin of my teeth.

[Job 33:21 NASB20] 21 "His flesh wastes away from sight, And his bones, [which] were not seen, stick out.

[Job 30:17 NASB20] 17 "At night it pierces my bones within me, And my gnawing [pains] do not rest.

[Job 30:27 NASB20] 27 "I am seething within and cannot rest; Days of misery confront me.

[Job 30:30 NASB20] 30 "My skin turns black on me, And my bones burn with fever.

The two Hebrew words translated “painful sores” were used of the plagues of “festering boils” in Egypt (Ex. 9:8-11; Deut. 28:27) and of Hezekiah’s illness (2 Kings 20:7, “boil”). Some scholars say the disease may have been smallpox; others say it was elephantiasis. It was apparently some skin condition with scabs or scales, such as pemphigus foliaceus (cf. Rupert Hallam, “Pemphigus Foliaceus,” in *The British Encyclopaedia of Medical Practice*. 2nd ed. 12 vols. London: Butterworth, 1950-52, 9:490-2).

This disease, as attested by physicians today, matches the symptoms of Job’s afflictions—inflamed, ulcerous sores (Job 2:7), itching (v. 8), degenerative changes in facial skin (vv. 7, 12), loss of appetite (3:24), depression (3:24-25), loss of strength (6:11), worms in the boils (7:5), running sores (7:5), difficulty in breathing (9:18), darkness under the eyes (16:16), foul breath (19:17), loss of weight (19:20; 33:21), continual pain (30:17), restlessness (30:27), blackened skin (30:30), peeling skin (30:30), and fever (30:30).

Zuck, R. B. (1985). [Job](#). In J. F. Walvoord & R. B. Zuck (Eds.), *The Bible Knowledge Commentary: An Exposition of the Scriptures* (Vol. 1, p. 721). Victor Books.

**"Whatever trouble
in this life a child
of God meets with,
it is all the hell
he will ever have."
- Thomas Watson
(The Christian Treasury)**

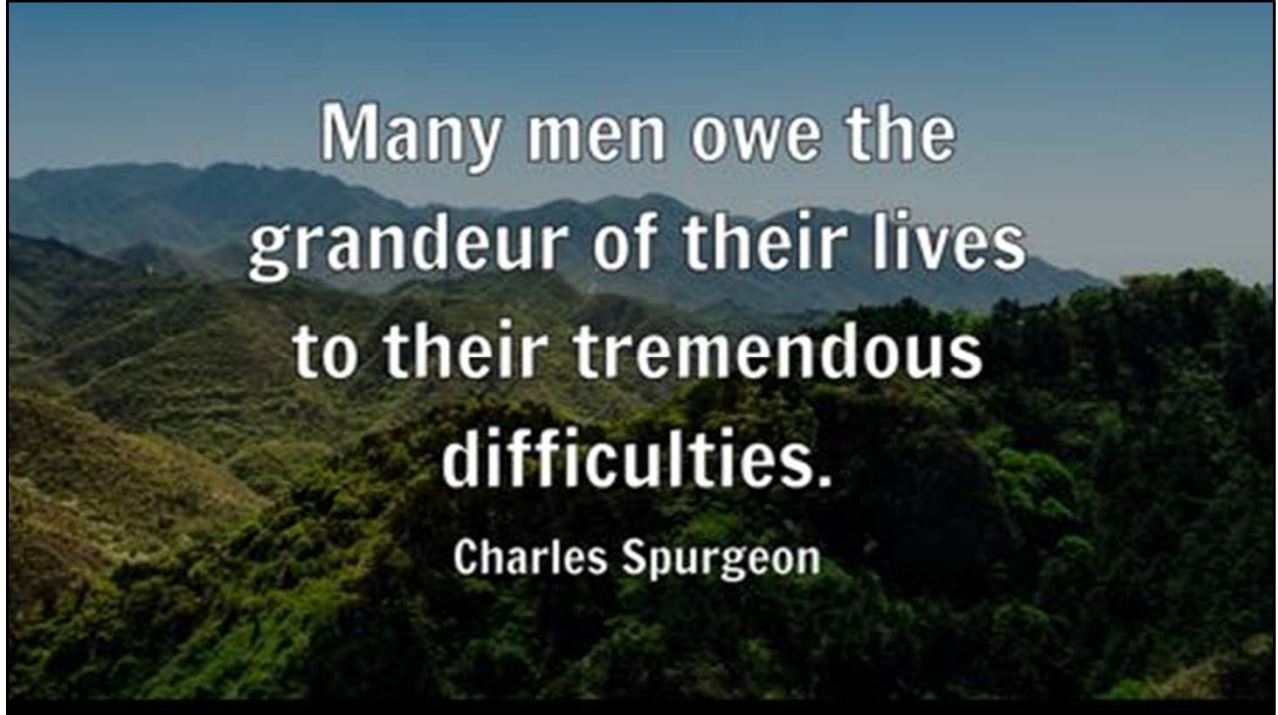


*"Rejoice and be glad, for your
reward in heaven is great,"
- Christ Jesus [Matthew 5:12]*

"...FOLLOW ME." - Christ Jesus [Luke 9:23]

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[Mat 8:12 NASB20] 12 but the sons of the kingdom will be thrown out into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."



What would Moses be without a Pharaoh who invited the miraculous judgments of God?

What would David be without a Goliath?

What would Samson be without a Lion?

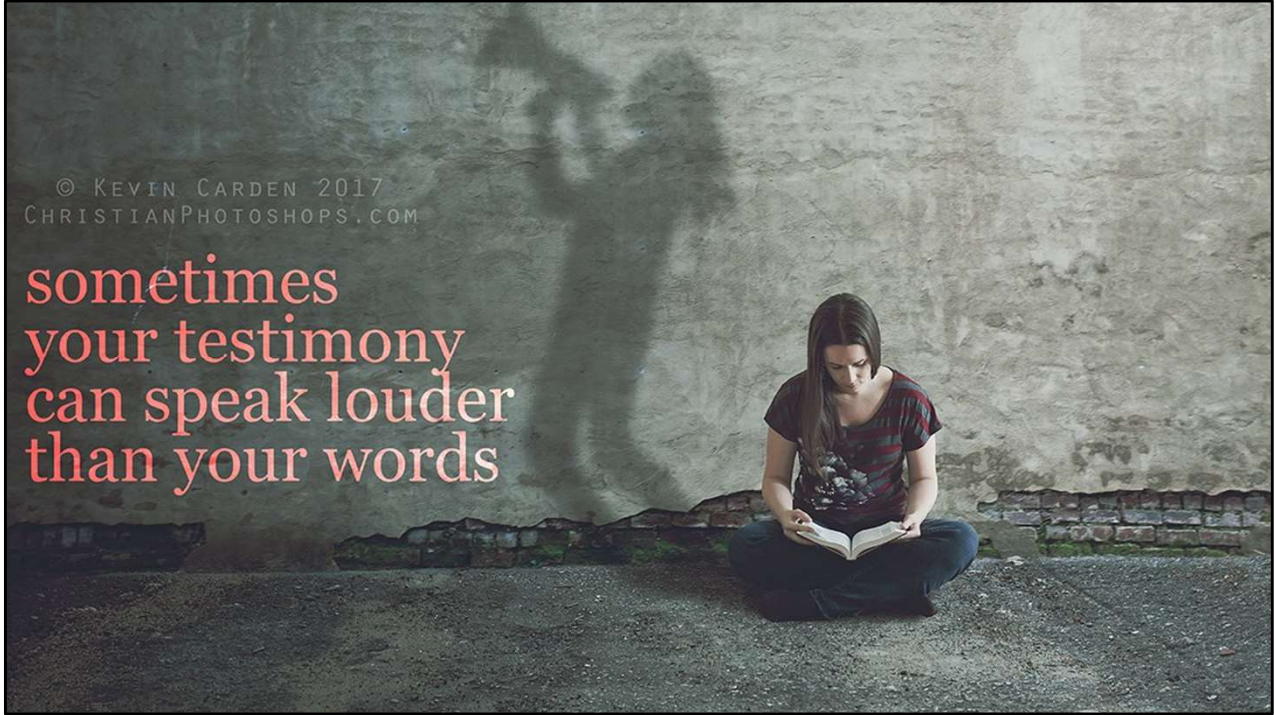
What would Daniel be without his lions den?

What would Elijah be without His prophets of Baal?

What would the Syrophenician woman be without her starvation and faith in Jesus?

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sometimes
your testimony
can speak louder
than your words



One bold message in the Book of Job is that you can say anything to God. Throw at him your grief, your anger, your doubt, your bitterness, your betrayal, your disappointment— he can absorb them all. As often as not, spiritual giants of the Bible are shown contending with God. They prefer to go away limping, like Jacob, rather than to shut God out.

Philip Yancey
Disappointment with God: Three Questions No One Asks Aloud

God invites our interaction with Him.
Simply remember that the earlier you surrender to Him, the better for you

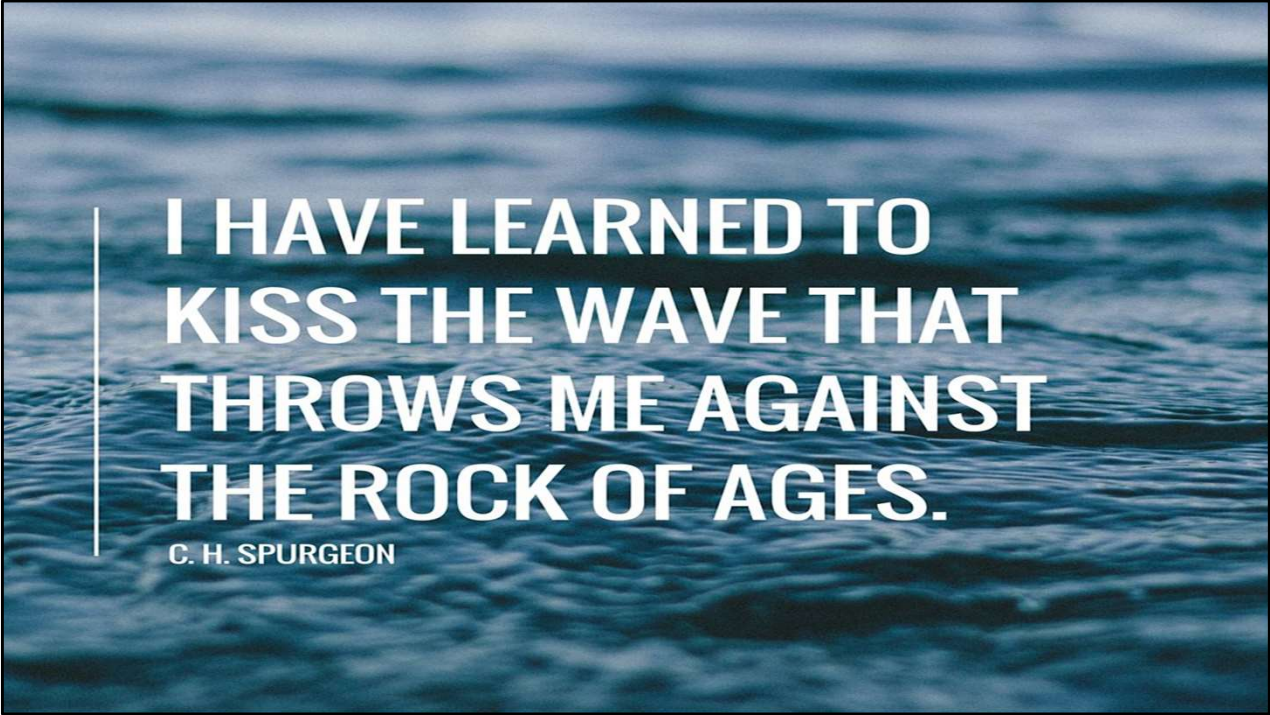
CALAMITIES ARE GOD'S PREVIEWS OF WHAT
SIN DESERVES AND WILL ONE DAY RECEIVE
IN JUDGMENT A THOUSAND TIMES WORSE.

THEY ARE WARNINGS.

THEY ARE WAKE-UP CALLS TO SEE
THE MORAL HORROR AND SPIRITUAL
UGLINESS OF SIN AGAINST GOD.

John Piper

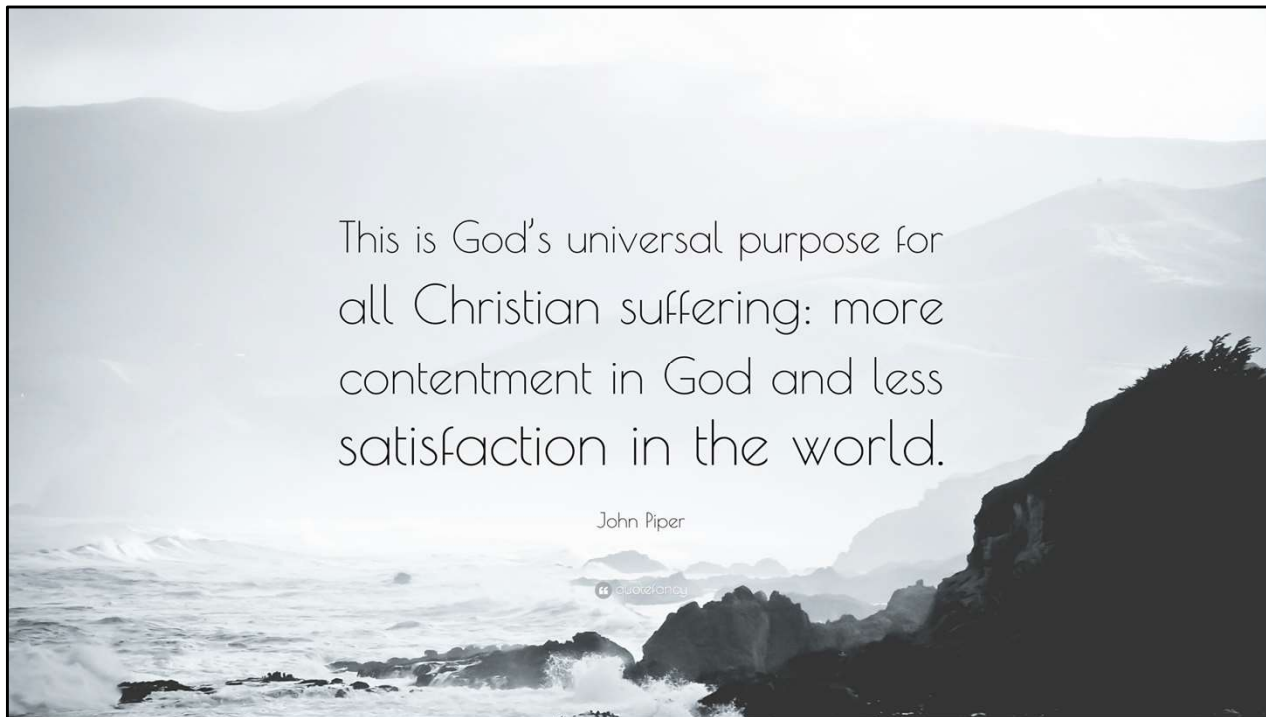




**I HAVE LEARNED TO
KISS THE WAVE THAT
THROWS ME AGAINST
THE ROCK OF AGES.**

C. H. SPURGEON

**SOMETIMES TRIALS
ARE GOD'S WAY
OF TAKING OUR HANDS
OFF OF THINGS
THAT AREN'T
SECURE AND PUTTING
THEM ON THE ONLY
THING THAT IS - HIMSELF.**



This is God's universal purpose for
all Christian suffering: more
contentment in God and less
satisfaction in the world.

John Piper

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**Child of God, you cost Christ
too much for him to forget you.**

C.H. Spurgeon



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**“I HAVE LEARNED THAT
FAITH MEANS TRUSTING
IN ADVANCE WHAT WILL
ONLY MAKE SENSE IN
REVERSE.” - PHILIP YANCEY**

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Nagging truths

- God is far better to us than we deserve! Grace!
- God doesn't give us what we DO deserve! Mercy!
- The goodness of God is to bring repentance!
- Romans 2
- The sufferings of man get our attention!
- It is wise to run to God, fall on your knees and believe in the one who Gave His Son for us!

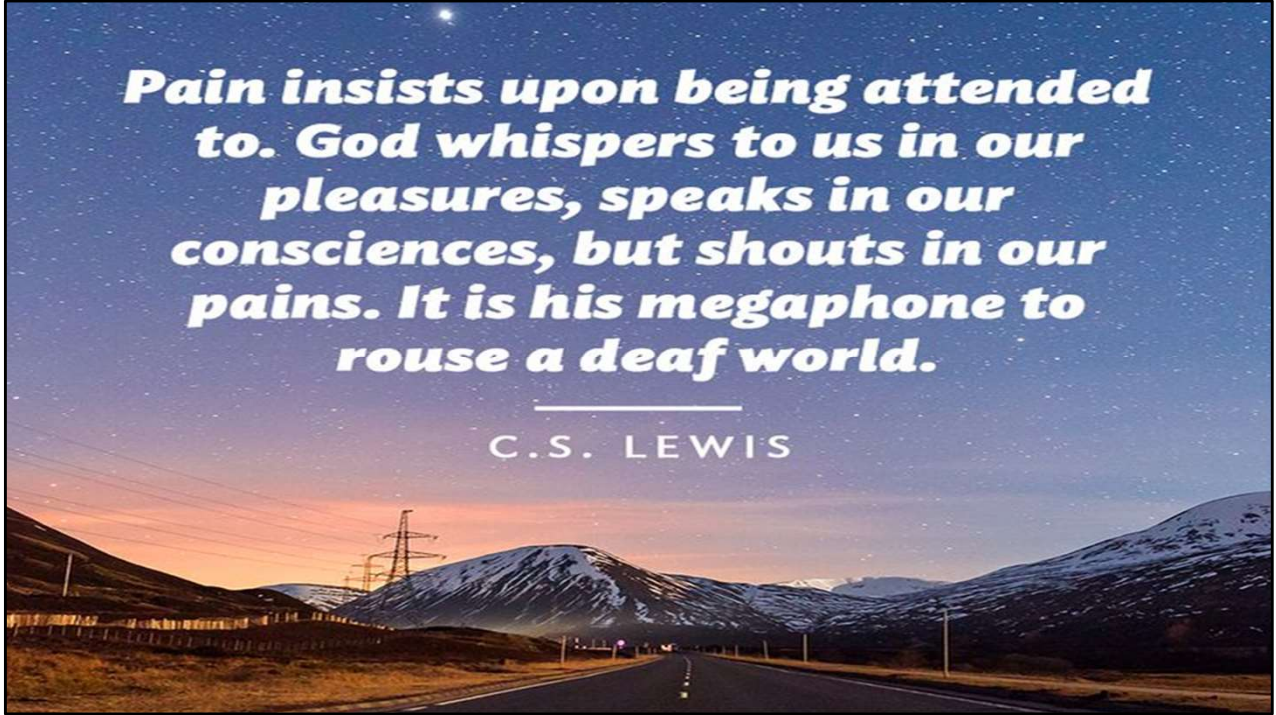
We aren't the victims! From God anyway. We are the traitorous treasonous arrogant ingrates

What do you say to a Mom who "Lost" her baby. Had her child taken from her?

God willingly gave His son to save us! He understands!

Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.

C.S. LEWIS



I had a million questions to
ask God: but when I met
Him, they all fled my mind;
and it didn't seem to matter.

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There are two kinds of people: those who say to God, "Thy will be done," and those to whom God says, "All right, then, have it your way."

(C. S. Lewis)

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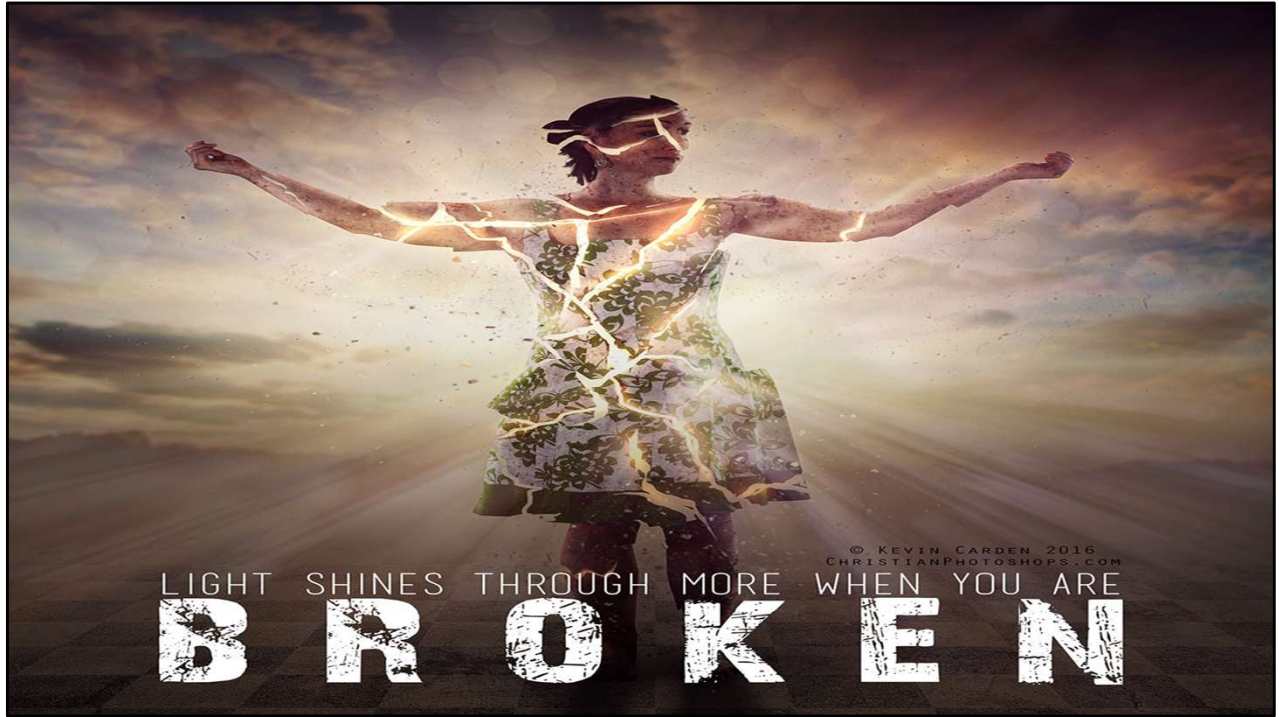
[Mat 12:33, 37 NASB20] 33 "Either assume the tree [to be] good as well as its fruit good, or assume the tree [to be] bad as well as its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit. ... 37 "For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

[Pro 14:12 NLT] 12 There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.

[Pro 16:25 NLT] 25 There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.

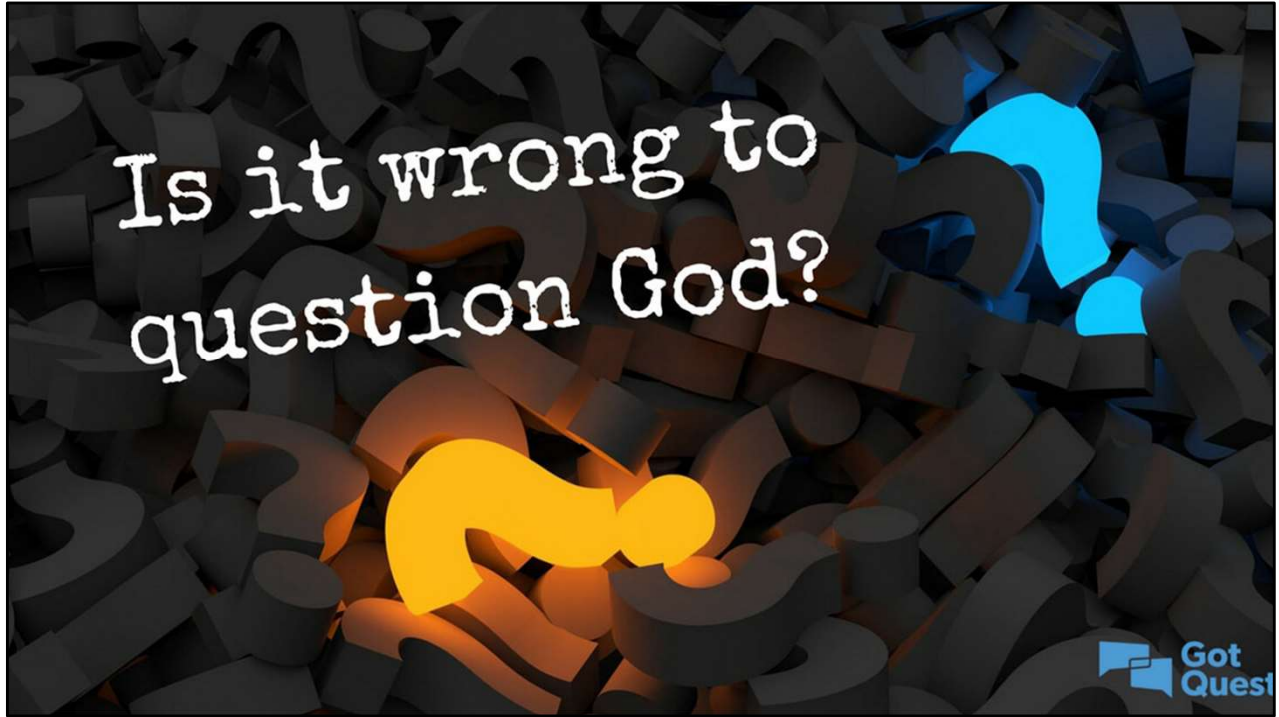
[Mat 16:26 NIV] 26 What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?

[Act 13:46 NASB20] 46 Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first. Since you repudiate it and consider yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles.



LIGHT SHINES THROUGH MORE WHEN YOU ARE
BROKEN

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Jesus Christ did not suffer so that
you would not suffer.
He suffered so that when you suffer,
you'll become more like him.
The gospel does not promise you
better life circumstances;
**it promises you
a better life.**

-Tim Keller

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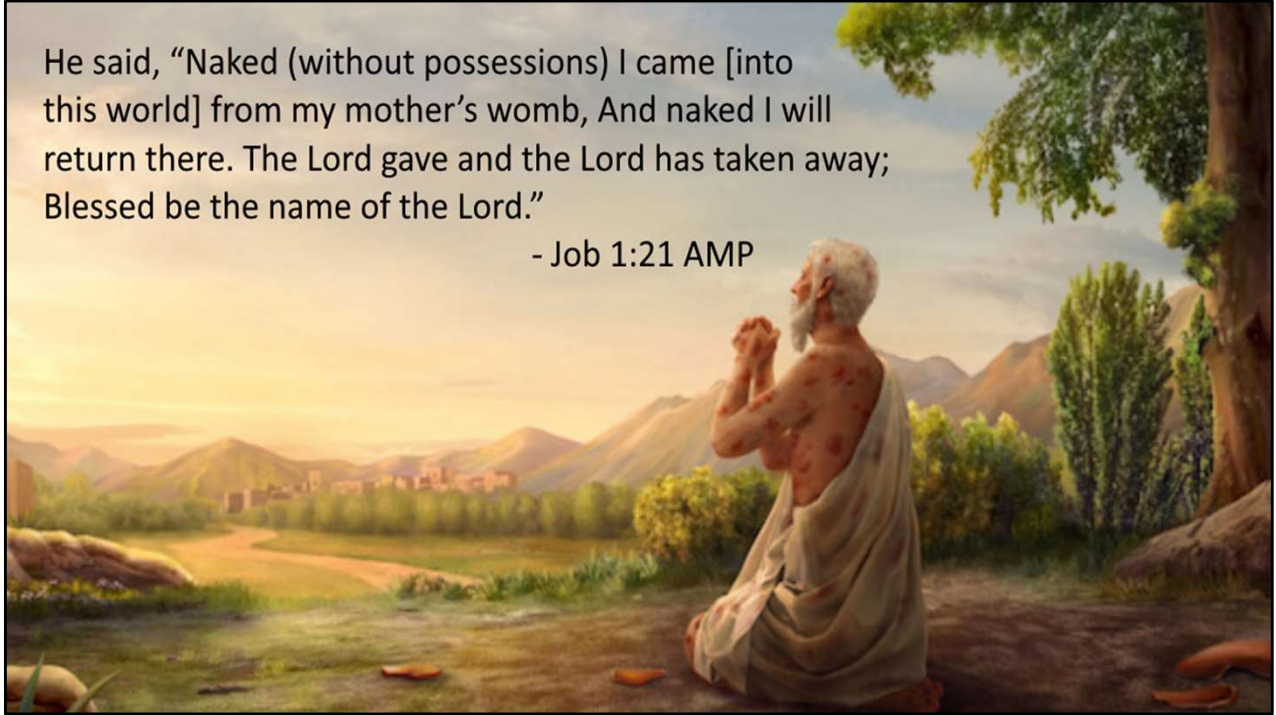
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A man can no more
diminish God's glory
by refusing to
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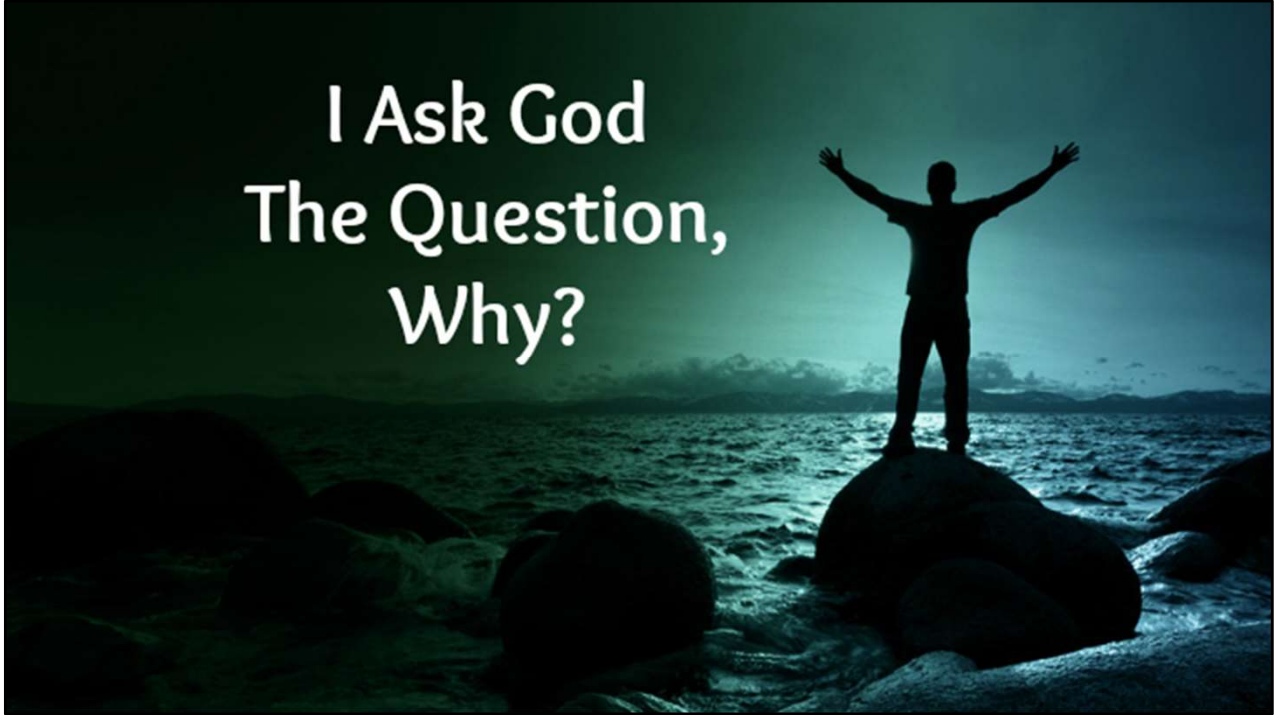
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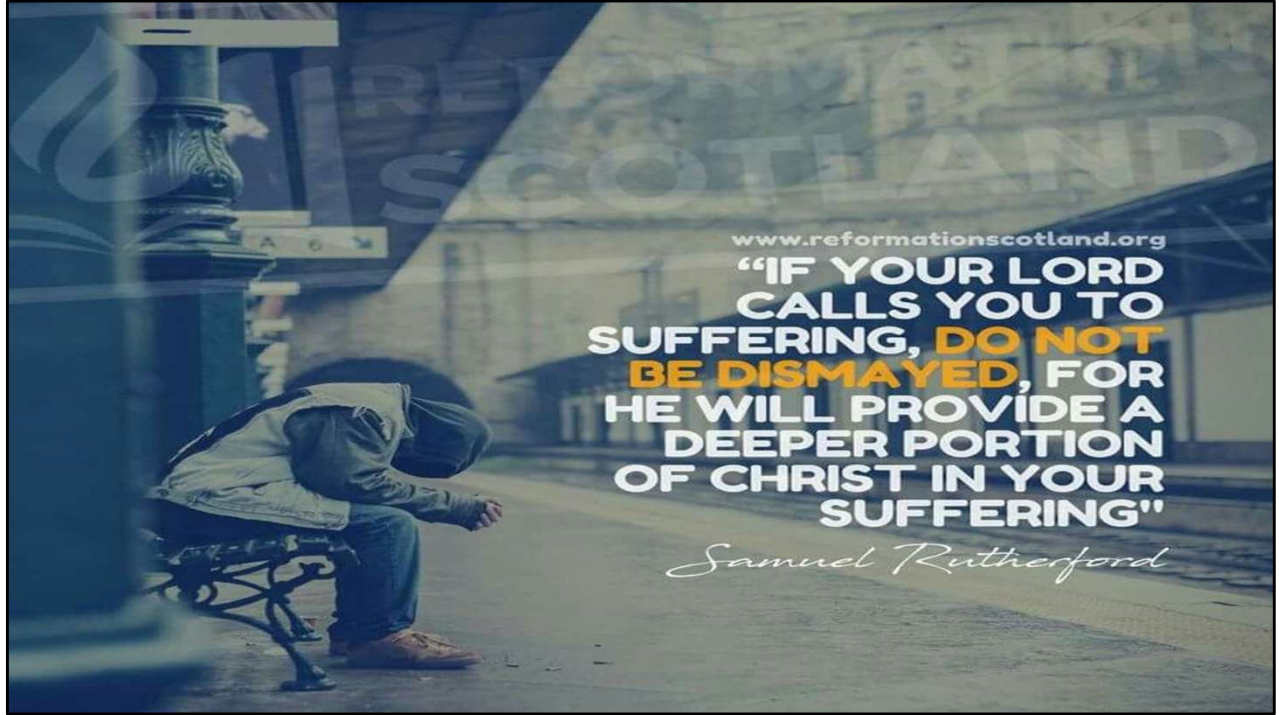
He said, "Naked (without possessions) I came [into this world] from my mother's womb, And naked I will return there. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord."

- Job 1:21 AMP



I Ask God
The Question,
Why?

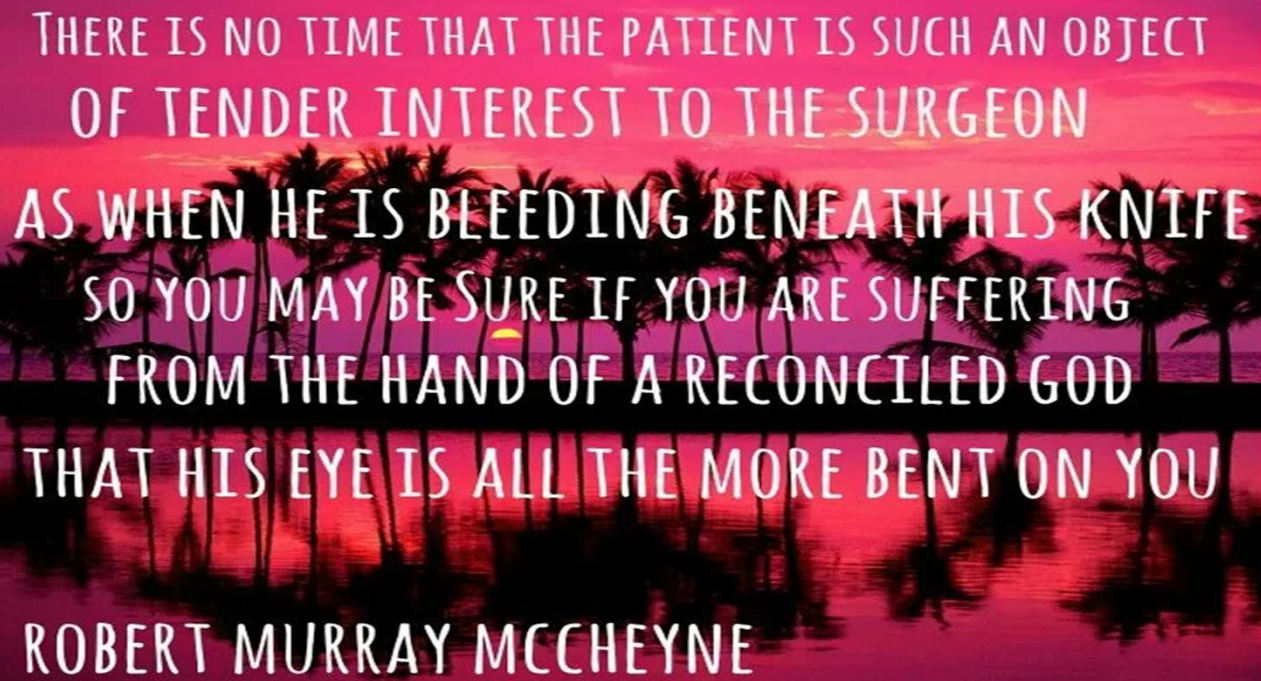




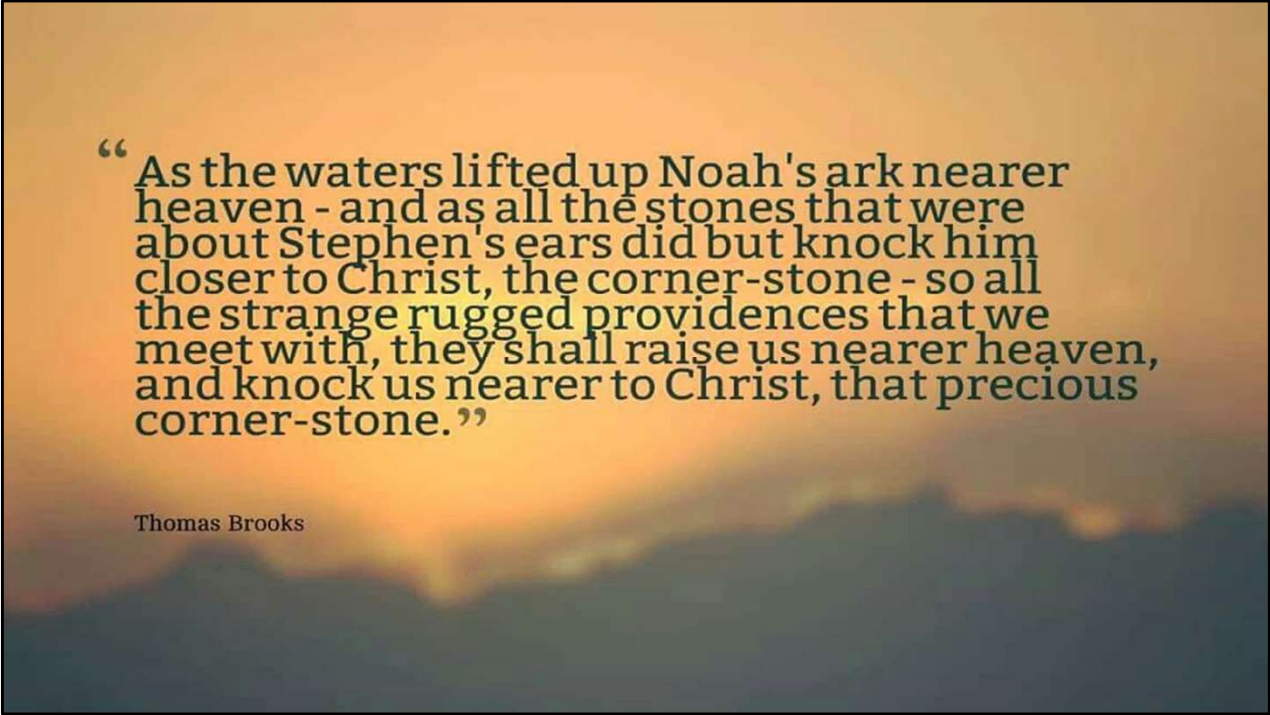
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**"IF YOUR LORD
CALLS YOU TO
SUFFERING, DO NOT
BE DISMAYED, FOR
HE WILL PROVIDE A
DEEPER PORTION
OF CHRIST IN YOUR
SUFFERING"**

Samuel Rutherford



THERE IS NO TIME THAT THE PATIENT IS SUCH AN OBJECT
OF TENDER INTEREST TO THE SURGEON
AS WHEN HE IS BLEEDING BENEATH HIS KNIFE
SO YOU MAY BE SURE IF YOU ARE SUFFERING
FROM THE HAND OF A RECONCILED GOD
THAT HIS EYE IS ALL THE MORE BENT ON YOU
ROBERT MURRAY MCCHEYNE



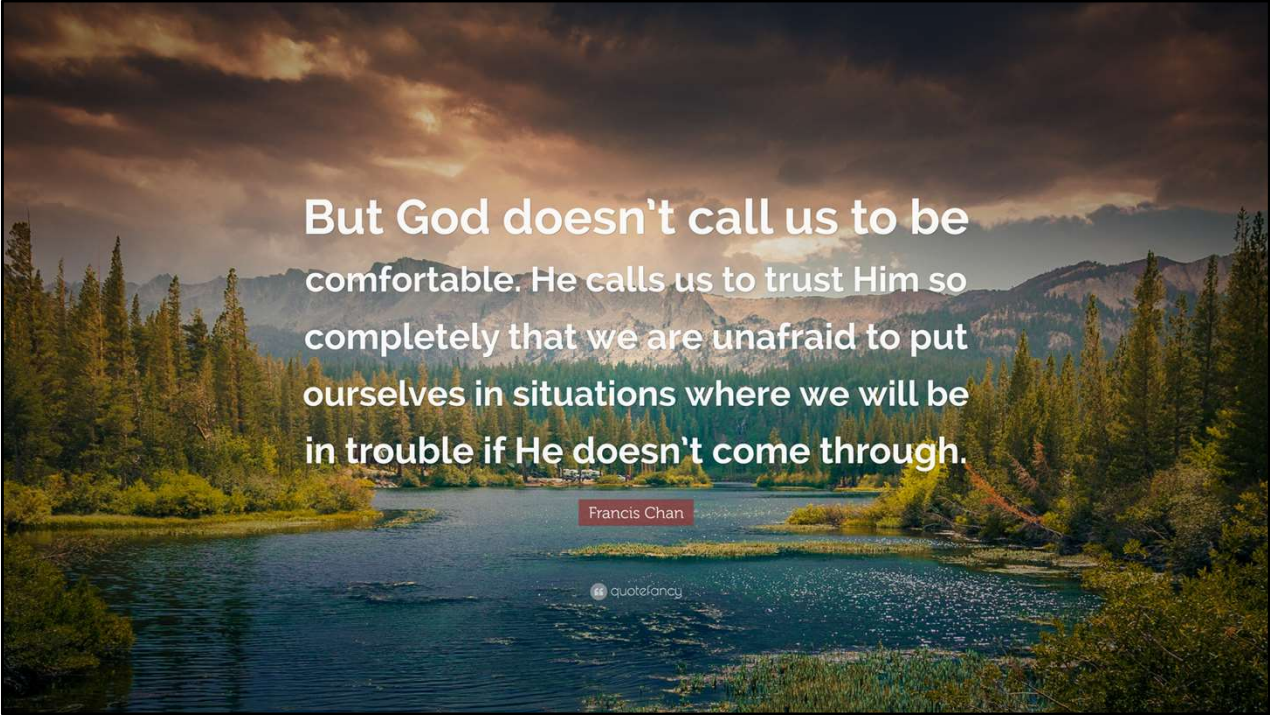
“As the waters lifted up Noah's ark nearer heaven - and as all the stones that were about Stephen's ears did but knock him closer to Christ, the corner-stone - so all the strange rugged providences that we meet with, they shall raise us nearer heaven, and knock us nearer to Christ, that precious corner-stone.”

Thomas Brooks

**AS SURE AS GOD PUTS HIS CHILDREN
IN THE FURNACE OF AFFLICTION,
HE WILL BE WITH THEM IN IT.**

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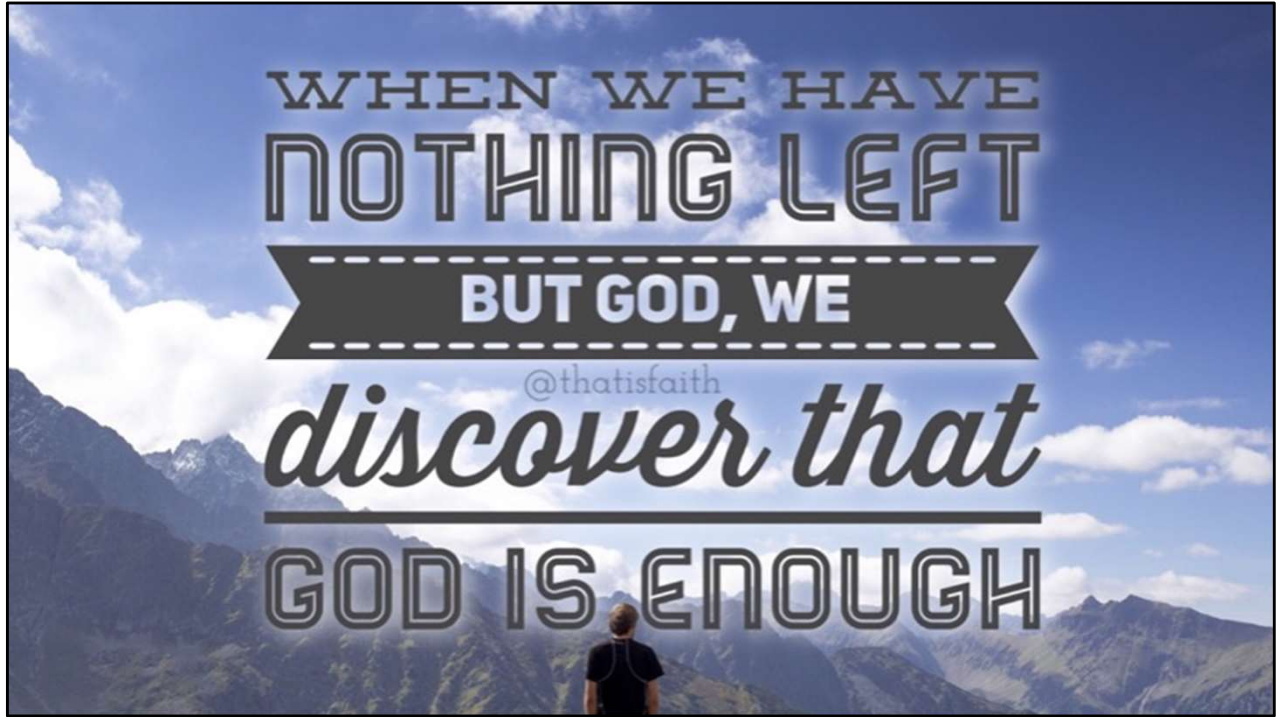




But God doesn't call us to be comfortable. He calls us to trust Him so completely that we are unafraid to put ourselves in situations where we will be in trouble if He doesn't come through.

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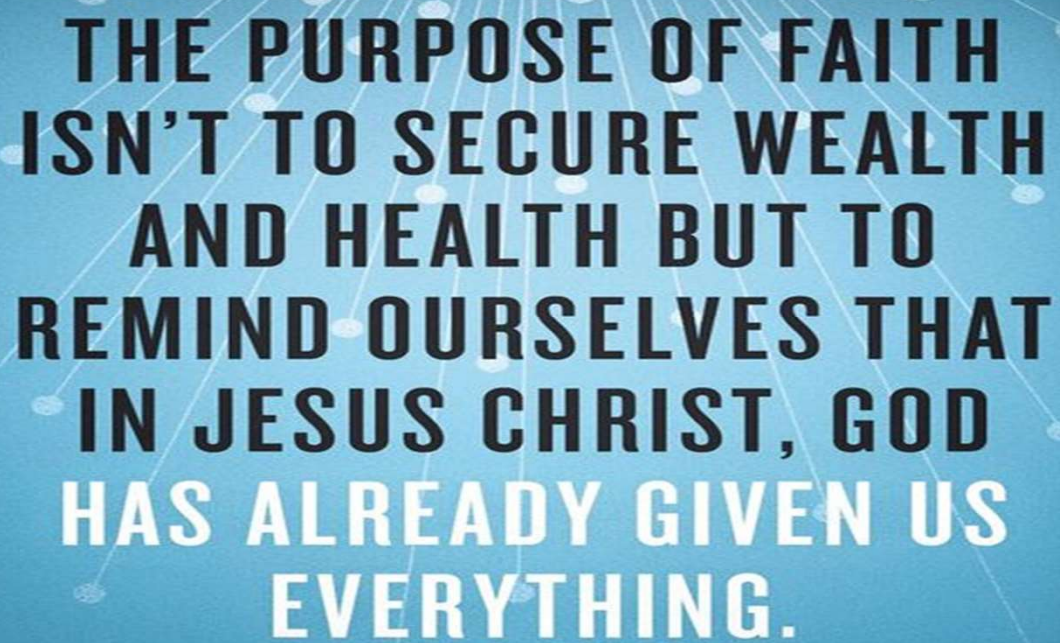
**“GOD HAD ONE SON ON EARTH
WITHOUT SIN,
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Augustine



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