

WHY DOES GOD ALLOW BAD THINGS TO HAPPEN?

God Questions Pt. 2

Why Do Bad Things Happen?

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Gen. 3:17-18, “Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you...”

Rom. 8:22 “We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.”

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Is. 55:9, “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

Bad experiences happen.....

1. To teach us that _____ may lead to painful _____.

2. To _____ the work of _____ in our lives.

John 9:1, “Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him...”

3. To _____ that our _____ is real.

1 Pet. 1:6, “In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith--of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire--may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.”

4. To _____ our need for outside help.

Things to remember when bad things happen:

- God is still _____, trust in his goodness, that He still _____ you.
- With time _____ will come
- It will be _____ all when we see Jesus.

Jer. 29:11, “For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.’”

Job 1:20-22 At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship 21 and said: “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked I will depart. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; may the name of the LORD be praised.” 22 In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing.