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If God is Good, Why is There Suffering?

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II Corinthians 5:21

Introduction



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Views of Suffering

- Moral view
- Secular view
- Redemptive view



I. If love is a choice, suffering is a possibility.

- a. God doesn't want a robot; He wants a relationship.

¹⁴ For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, ¹⁵ in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them,

Rom. 2:14-15



II. Then, why do bad things happen to good people?

- Scripture teaches us we're not actually not good people

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Rom. 3:23)

The heart is more deceitful than all else, and is desperately sick; Who can understand it?

Jer. 17:9



II. Then, why do bad things happen to good people?

For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries,

Mark 7:21



III. Only Jesus is good and suffered



- Why do bad things happen to good people? Truthfully, that only happened one time, and that was to Jesus.

He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

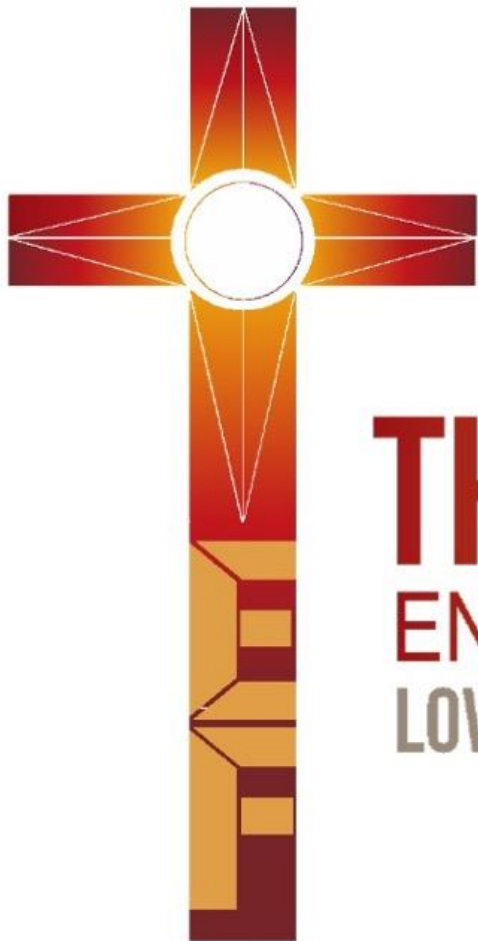
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- God knows something better is coming for those in Christ.

Conclusion



God is good not because He gives us answers to all our questions, but because He gives us Himself.



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