



Tomorrow: Facing a Future Without Fear Good & Evil PT 1b

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Read Isaiah 5:20

20 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! (KJV)

Intro.

1. In a world filled with death, pandemic, and evil, how are we to face what feels like an unknowable future? What do we do with our anxiety regarding the days ahead? This study will provide comfort and reassurance to those living in uncertain times. This (study) will discuss **Good and Evil**, the **After Life**, the future of **Christ's Second Coming**, and what believers should do while awaiting his return.

2. Paul encourages believers to be prepared, to cling to the truth of what they have been taught, and to live responsibly in light of the future. How can we take these words to heart, and face the future without fear? Paul wanted the church in to be thoroughly educated about the Second Coming of Jesus so they wouldn't be afraid or confused. We can live with confidence in the present when we are biblically informed about the future.

2. How can all of these be true?

There is no **Character** without **Action**.

Two Truths to Remember

1. God is sovereign. 2. Mankind has free choice.

Three Reasons Why Evil Exists in Our World Today

1. God's Will:
Because God Allows Evil

2. SATAN'S INFLUENCE: BECAUSE SATAN _____ EVIL

SATAN: A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

1. He was an _____ in Heaven (**Revelation 12:3-9; 9:11**)
2. He _____ from Heaven due to pride.
3. He has been given _____ freedom to influence the earth.
 - A. Satan's limit: He must ask _____.

Some examples:

Job (Job 1:6-12; 2:1-6)

Peter: "Satan has asked to sift you as wheat" (Luke 22:31).

4. He is unalterably _____ to eternal destruction.

3. MANKIND'S CHOICE: BECAUSE WE _____ EVIL

Remember two truths:

1. Evil began with _____ (**Genesis 3**).
2. Evil is present in _____.

Why Doesn't God Stop It?
Why does God allow it?

Remember a couple of things.

1. He already has defeated evil (**1 Corinthians 15:57; Colossians 2:15**).

Why doesn't he end all evil now?

2. He is PATIENT.

INDIVIDUAL VIEWPOINT

1. The world is evil, not because of God's creation, but because of mankind's _____.
2. God _____ about those who suffer.
3. It is God's proclaimed purpose to one day do away with evil.
4. The reason he waits is so that more people might be _____, therefore not having to suffer eternal separation from him.

2. Reasons: Afflicts 1. Angel 2. Fell 3. Limited A. Gods permission 4. Condemned
3. Reasons: Accept 1. Them 2. Me Viewpoint: 1. Choice 2. Cares 4. saved