

**“WHY IS THERE SUFFERING IN THE WORLD?  
(How Can God Be Good & Allow Human Suffering & Evil in the World?)**

- **The Bible repeatedly acknowledges human suffering on many levels. There is ...**
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Lam.3:51)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Luke 13:1-3)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Luke 13:4-5)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Prov.19:15)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Psalm 88:15)
  - Suffering from your \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen.37)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Proverbs 11:15)
  - Suffering human \_\_\_\_\_ . (Prov.19:19)
  - Suffering human \_\_\_\_\_ . (Acts 7:24)
  - Suffering of \_\_\_\_\_ . (Phil.4:12)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Peter 2:19)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (James 5:14)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen.2:18)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen.3:16)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (2 Sam.13:30)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Deut.24:1-4; Matt.19:9)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (2 Kings 11:2)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Judges 5:30)
  - Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen. 2:16-17; Heb.2:9)
  
- **This is a question many have struggled with. The proposition goes like this:**
  - 1) If God is all good, He would destroy evil.
  - 2) If God is all powerful, He can destroy evil.
  - 3) But evil is not destroyed; therefore, God is not all good or not all-powerful.

OR

  - 1) Either God is all good and not all-powerful, or
  - 2) God is all-powerful, but not all good.
  
- **The truth of God’s Word is:**
  - 1) **God, being good, \_\_\_\_\_ create evil. (James 1:13)**
  - 2) **God created all things \_\_\_\_\_ . (Genesis 1:31)**
  - 3) **God gave angels and mankind the ability to \_\_\_\_\_ right from wrong, with consequences for their choices. (Genesis 2:16-17)**
    - Why?
  
- **Why are there sufferings and evil in the world? It is because of ...**
  - 1) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Isaiah 14:12-14; Job 1-2; 1 Peter 5:8-9)
  - 2) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen. 3:6, 17-19; Romans 5:12, 8:18-25)

3) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen. 4:8; Romans 1:28-32; Gen 6:5, 8:21; 2 Thess. 3:2; 2 Tim.3:13)

4) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen. 4:11-12; Rom.3:23; Gal. 6:7; 1 Pet. 4:15)

5) \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 John 3:12; Acts 5:41; Gal. 5:11; Phil.1:29; 2 Tim. 3:12; 1 Pet. 3:14, 17)

6) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen. 4:25)

a. \_\_\_\_\_ . (Gen. 45:5-9, 50:20)

b. \_\_\_\_\_ . (John 9:1-3)

c. \_\_\_\_\_ . (Heb.12:6-11)

d. \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Peter 1:6-7; Psalm 119:67, 71)

e. \_\_\_\_\_ . (Matt. 16:21; Acts 2:22-24, 4:27-28; 1 Peter 3:18)

7) \_\_\_\_\_ . (Jude 1:7; Gen. 6-8)

• Will God one day put an end to evil and suffering in the world? (Rev. 20:10-15; Rev. 21 & 22)

• How can a loving God send anyone to Hell?

1) God is \_\_\_\_\_ and must \_\_\_\_\_. (Isa.6:3; Gen.2:17; Rom.6:23)

2) Man is a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_. (Rom.1:18- 20, 28; 3:10-12, 19-20)

3) God is \_\_\_\_\_ and desires everyone to be \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Tim.2:4; John 3:16)

4) Man ultimately secures his own \_\_\_\_\_ because of his rejection of Jesus Christ through his own choice of \_\_\_\_\_. (John 3:17-18)

• Why hasn't God stopped evil yet? (2 Peter 3:9-10)