



Secrets to Hope & Happiness Bible Study Series

Why So Much Suffering? - 4

(1) HOW DOES THIS VERSE DESCRIBE THE UNFAIR, WIDESPREAD EFFECT OF SIN ON ALL CREATION OF THIS EARTH?

Romans 8:22 (also read 18-21)

(2) WITHOUT FAIRNESS, RESPECT OR FAVORITISM, WHO ON THIS EARTH SUFFERS THE RESULTS OF SIN (LIST 7)?

Ecclesiastes 9:2-3 (also read 11)

(3) WHEN WE IGNORE OR DISRESPECT THE WISDOM AND COUNSEL FROM GOD, WHAT IS THE RESULT?

Proverbs 1:31 (also read 29-32)

(4) WHAT IS THE RESULT OF LISTENING AND FOLLOWING GOD-GIVEN WISDOM?

Proverbs 1:33

We are not promise to be kept from evil but delivered from ALL of it (Psalm 34:19-22).

(5) WHAT IS THE ULTIMATE RESULT OF THE GRIEF WE SUFFER DURING TRIALS AND AFFLICTIONS?

1 Peter 1:7 (also read 3-9)

(6) THOUGH WE WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH, LIKE KING DAVID, WHAT DO WE NOT HAVE TO FEAR AND WHY?

Psalm 23:4 (also read 1-6)

(7) IN WHAT 6 WAYS DID CHRIST COME TO EARTH AND BEAR THE EFFECTS OF SIN FOR US?

Isaiah 53:4-6 (also read 1-12)

(8) IF WE LOVE GOD AND ALLOW HIM TO DIRECT OUR LIVES, WHAT HAS HE PROMISED TO DO FOR US?

I realize that God is love and isn't the One who causes the pain and suffering of this world. I see that affliction is the result of sin and comes sooner or later to all without favoritism or fairness.

Circle One: Yes Undecided

I realize that at times, I bring pain and suffering on myself by ignoring the will of God and making my own poor choices. I ask for wisdom to listen more carefully to His counsel.

Romans 8:28

On this earth we may never understand how all things worked out for good but one day in heaven we will. And retrospectively, if given the chance, we would not change a thing! We can trust God with every detail of our lives because He is ALWAYS fair, just, and merciful and His character is good!

(9) WHAT WONDERFUL PROMISE GIVEN BY GOD IN HIS WORD, MAY WE CLAIM AND LOOK FORWARD TO?

Revelation 21:4 (also read 1-7)

Circle One: Yes Undecided

I am thankful for God's love and, though I must pass through trials, He is with me through them all and able to work them out for my good as I love and trust in Him.

Circle One: Yes Undecided

I am looking forward to the day that He ends all sorrow, pain, crying and death.

Circle One: Yes Undecided

OTHER RELEVANT TEXTS: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18; Romans 5:3-4, 12-21; 6:23; 8:18, 35-39; Isaiah 24:4-6; 65:17-25; Ecclesiastes 2:14-15; 8:14; Job 21:7-26; Proverbs 11:3-9, 27-31; 13:15-23; 26:27; 27:1; Psalm 107:17-43; 91:1-16; 46:1-11; 34:1-22; James 1:2-5, 12-17; 5:18-21; 12:9; 1 Corinthians 10:13; John 3:16-17; Galatians 4:4-7; Genesis 50:20; 2 Peter 3:13-14; Nahum 1:9; Revelations 22:3-5

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