

WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE?

Answering Tough Questions Bible Study Series
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The Source of Suffering

1. God created everything _____.

Genesis 1:1-31

2. Sin, suffering and death are a result of the _____ of _____.

Romans 5:12

3. God intervenes in our lives in many _____ ways, but He still _____ suffering to happen.

The Causes of Suffering

1. We live in a _____ world.

- A. We are born with inherent _____ in our nature and in our bodies.
- B. We suffer because of someone else's _____ or poor _____.
- C. We suffer because of a consequence of something in _____.
- D. We suffer because of spiritual _____.

John 10:10; 1 Peter 5:8; Acts 10:38; 1 John 3:8

2. God allows us to experience the consequences of our _____.

- A. The consequences of our _____
- B. The consequences of our carelessness, stupidity, or lack of _____

3. God _____ us when we need it.

Hebrews 12:5-11; Numbers 12:9, 10; 1 Corinthians 11:29-31

Difficulties and sickness are not _____ a result of sin. (John 9:1-3)

The Benefits of Suffering: If we cooperate, God will bring _____ from our _____.

Romans 8:28

- 1. _____ (James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 1:5-7)
- 2. _____ (2 Corinthians 1:3-6)

Conclusion

Revelation 21:3-4