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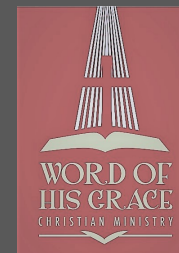
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An often asked question is, “If God is good, why does He allow so much suffering and pain”? The Bible is not silent on these issues. Heartache, evil, and pain are the result of man’s rebellion against God. Yet, despite all this, God brings good out of evil and promises to be with us as we journey through this life.

### What is temptation?

*Temptation* is the invitation or enticement to sin, which deceptively promises benefits through disobedience.

### Is temptation a sin?

“For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points *tempted* like as we are, yet without *sin*” (*Hebrews 4:15*).

**NOTE:** No, temptation is not a sin. When one yields to, falls into, or chooses the temptation; then it becomes sin.

### How are we to combat temptation?

“*Watch* and *pray*, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak” (*Mark 14:38*).

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HEBREWS 4:16

“*Submit* yourselves therefore to God. *Resist* the devil, and he will flee from you” (James 4:7).

“Let us therefore come boldly unto the *throne of grace*, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of *need*” (Hebrews 4:16).

**NOTE:** It is absolutely essential that we come to God in humble prayer, seeking His grace and power.

“Enter not into the *path* of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men. *Avoid* it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away” (Proverbs 4:14-15).

“And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by *prayer* and *fasting*” (Mark 9:29).

“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, *think* on these *things*” (Philippians 4:8).

**Is temptation something to play with?**

“Can a man take *fire* in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?” (Proverbs 6:27).

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1 John 1:9

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“Then when *lust* hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is *finished*, bringeth forth *death*” (James 1:15).

“For the *wages* of sin is death; but the *gift* of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 6:23).

### What do we do if we fall into sin?

“For a *just man* falleth seven times, and *riseth up* again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief” (Proverbs 24:16).


“As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and *repent*” (Revelation 3:19).

“If we *confess* our sins, *he* is faithful and just to *forgive* us our sins, and to *cleanse* us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9).

### What assurances do we have in our battles against temptation?

“There hath no temptation taken you but such as is *common* to man: but *God* is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are *able*; but will with the temptation also make a *way* to escape, that ye may be able to *bear* it” (1 Corinthians 10:13).

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# Trials of Life

“Because thou hast kept the *word* of my patience, I also will *keep thee* from the hour of *temptation*, which shall come upon all the world, to *try* them that dwell upon the earth” (Revelation 3:10).

## Why are trials and tribulations necessary?

“Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery *trial* which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are *partakers* of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be *glad* also with exceeding joy” (1 Peter 4:12-13).


“And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh *patience*; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: And *hope* maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our *hearts* by the *Holy Ghost* which is given unto us” (Romans 5:3-5).

## Is character development really that important?

“That the trial of your faith, being much more *precious* than of *gold* that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of *Jesus Christ*” (1 Peter 1:7).

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a *living sacrifice*, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to *this world*: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your

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Luke the Evangelist

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*mind*, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of *God*” (Romans 12:1-2).

Why does the world persecute the followers of God?

“If the world hate you, ye know that it hated *me* before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are *not* of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you” (John 15:18-19).

“And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men *loved* darkness rather than light, because their deeds were *evil*” (John 3:19).

How should believers respond to persecution?

“Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, *bless* them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and *pray* for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you” (Matthew 5:43-44).

How does our suffering for Christ impact others?

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“If ye be reproached for the name of *Christ*, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God *resteth* upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is *glorified*. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. Yet if any man suffer as a *Christian*, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf” (1 Peter 4:14-16).

When will these trails end and what will be the reward for loving God?


“Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is *tried*, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love *him*” (James 1:12).

“The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly *out* of *temptations*, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished” (2 Peter. 2:9).

“For our light affliction, which is but for a *moment*, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of *glory*” (2 Corinthians 4:17).

“And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed *away*; and there was no more sea ... And God shall wipe away all *tears* from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain:

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*Revelation 21:4*

for the *former* things are passed away” (Revelation 21:1, 4).