



**SUFFERING
BEFORE THE
GLORY
PART 2**

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Regarding the alter call from 3/14/21:

If the question this AM would have been:

“Why God do you allow bad things to happen?”

- I would have had to be up there.



I know God is good and good all of the time... but I struggle with:

Lord can you not teach me Your ways by positive reinforcements and not have to go the path of struggling?

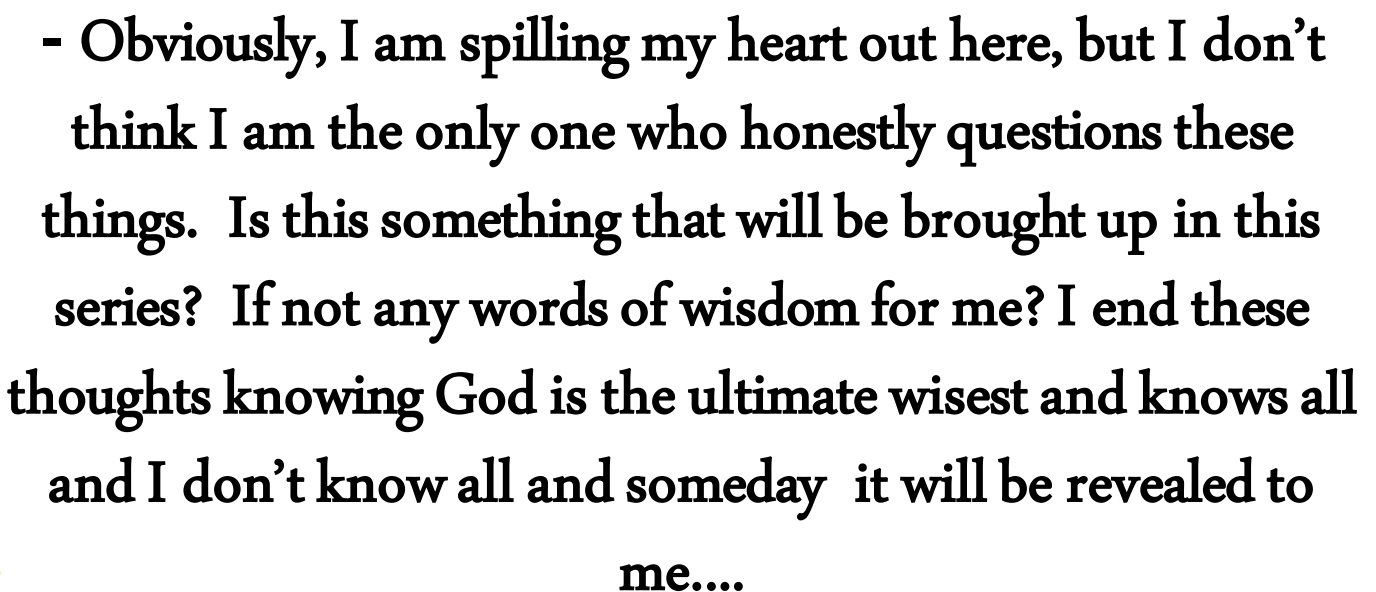
I have asked myself:

“Ok Lord, if you are good all the time where did I open the door?”

And also, the theory:

Sometimes it is just a direct attack.

But isn't God greater to not allow direct attacks??



- Obviously, I am spilling my heart out here, but I don't think I am the only one who honestly questions these things. Is this something that will be brought up in this series? If not any words of wisdom for me? I end these thoughts knowing God is the ultimate wisest and knows all and I don't know all and someday it will be revealed to me....

“Why, God, do you allow bad things to happen?”


“Sometimes it is just a direct attack. But isn't God greater to not allow direct attacks?”

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good all the time...
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“Lord can you not teach me
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struggling?”

Hebrews
5:8
(NIV)

[8] Although he was a
son, he learned
obedience from what
he suffered



[2] Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, [3] because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. [4] Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.





**James
1:2-4
(NIV)**



**1 Peter
1:6-7
(NIV)**


[6] In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. [7] These have come so that your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.





**Colossians
1:24-29
(NIV)**

[24] Now I rejoice in what was suffered for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. [25] I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— [26] the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the saints.



**Colossians
1:24-29
(NIV)**


[27] To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. [28] We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. [29] To this end I labor, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me.

2
Corinthians
1:3-7 (NIV)

[3] Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, [4] who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. [5] For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows.


2
Corinthians
1:3-7 (NIV)

[6] If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. [7] And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.



Hebrews 12:2-4 (NIV)

[2] Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. [3] Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. [4] In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.



Hebrews 13:12-13 (NIV)

[12] And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through his own blood. [13] Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace he bore.

Hebrews 2:9-11 (NIV)

[9] But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

Hebrews 2:9-11 (NIV)

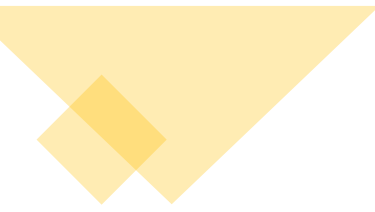
[10] In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering. [11] Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers.

Hebrews 2:14-18 (NIV)

[14] Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil— [15] and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. [16] For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham's descendants.

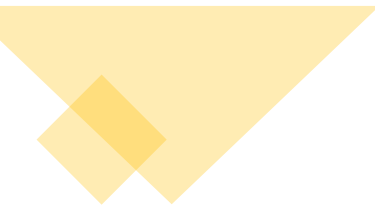
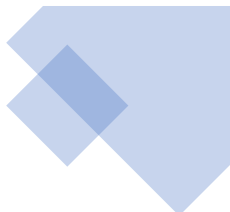
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[17] For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. [18] Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.




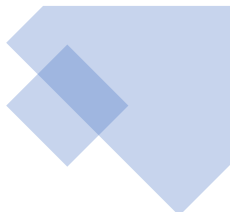

**Matthew
26:36-46
(NIV)**

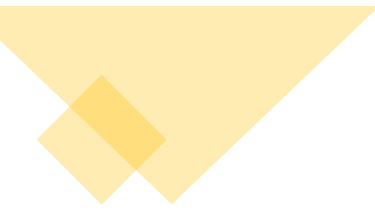
[36] Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” [37] He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. [38] Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”



**Matthew
26:36-46
(NIV)**

[39] Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.” [40] Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter. [41] “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.”

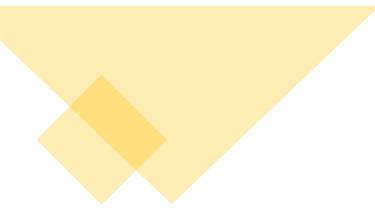
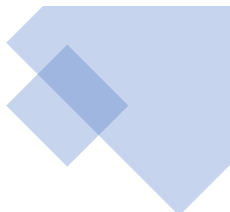




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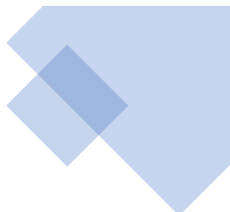
[42] He went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.”

[43] When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. [44] So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing. [Luke 22:44 - At this point he sweat drops of blood]



**Matthew
26:36-46
(NIV)**

[45] Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. [46] Rise, let us go! Here comes my betrayer!”



Hebrews 12:4 (NIV)

[4] In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

**1 Peter 4:1-2
(NIV)**

[1] Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin.

[2] As a result, he does not live the rest of his earthly life for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God.

Colossians 1:24-25 (NIV)

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When we consider the “Sufferings” of Jesus:

1. The Garden experience - Not My Will but (Gospel) Scripturally it's 2 things:

(#2) - He tasted death for us - the 2nd Death. (Hebrews 2:9)

Additional scriptures
on Suffering before
the Glory:

2 Corinthians 4:16-17 (NIV)

[16] Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. [17] For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

**Ephesians
3:13 (NIV)**

**[13] I ask you,
therefore, not to be
discouraged
because of my
sufferings for you,
which are your
glory.**

**Hebrews 2:10
(NIV)**

**[10] In bringing
many sons to glory,
it was fitting that
God, for whom and
through whom
everything exists,
should make the
author of their
salvation perfect
through suffering.**

**Colossians
1:11 (NKJV)**

**[11] strengthened
with all might,
according to His
glorious power, for
all patience and
longsuffering with
joy;**

Colossians 1:24-27 (NKJV)

**[24] I now rejoice in my
sufferings for you, and fill up
in my flesh what is lacking in
the afflictions of Christ, for the
sake of His body, which is the
church, [25] of which I became
a minister according to the
stewardship from God which
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Colossians 1:24-27 (NKJV)

[26] the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints.

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[10] For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.



1 Peter 4:12- 19 (NIV)

[12] Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. [13] But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. [14] If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. [15] If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler.



1 Peter 4:12- 19 (NIV)

[16] However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name. [17] For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God? [18] And, "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

[19] So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

**1 Peter
5:1
(NIV)**

[1] To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed: