

Why So Much Suffering?

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I hear these days so many complain and even try to blame GOD for the suffering in the world. All suffering is due to our own sins and the sins of others; none of it is the fault of our Holy Creator. Oppression and lack is in the world, due to the selfish greed of the few who think it is their right to rule over all the rest of us, and unless the rest of us stand up to them, they will continue to maltreat us all. So MOST of the suffering in this world is due to very evil, very selfish, very greedy, very arrogant, very wicked people who are attacking the masses of us on earth intentionally:

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But what about those who are not trying to harm or hurt others, why do they suffer at times? According to the Instructions to Live By as Given to us all by our Creator, we all have sinned (not just the most evil and wicked among us; especially those who are committing genocides against us all from the highest levels). <http://biblehub.com/romans/3-23.htm> And if we are honest we all can see that is true.

<https://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/the-ten-commandments-part-1/733691096709852> - who do you know has perfectly kept the Righteous Instructions to Live By in thought, word and deed all their lives?

<https://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/observable-divine-judgments/732720553473573> - so we receive Divine Correction not as punishment, but as His effort to keep us from harming each other and ourselves, or worse from destroying the whole world and harming all life on the planet. God corrects us to keep us from EVEN WORSE SUFFERING due to so much ignorance and wickedness <http://biblehub.com/hosea/4-6.htm> and <http://biblehub.com/isaiah/16-4.htm> and <http://biblehub.com/isaiah/14-4.htm> in far too many who are choosing not to learn from our Eternal Creator for their own good and the good of the whole world.

<http://biblehub.com/proverbs/3-11.htm>

11My son, do not reject the discipline of the LORD Or loathe His reproof, 12For whom the LORD loves He reproveth, Even as a father corrects the son in whom he delights.

<http://biblehub.com/hebrews/12-10.htm>

God Disciplines His Sons ...9Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live? 10For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but He disciplines us for our good, so that we may share His holiness. 11All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness....

Yet why does it seem like some of the most righteous persons suffer so greatly and intensely in this world, while at times it appears the most wicked live in such luxury?

For the incredible thing is that it may seem to many that they did not suffer nearly so much while they ran with the disobedient devils and sinners; yet after coming to Christ, not only were they hated by this world and persecuted, but much sorrow and suffering, trials and tribulations seemed to come upon them in so many ways. And so some would ask WHY?! <http://biblehub.com/mark/10-30.htm>

It is when we partake not only of the Blessings of Christ, but also of His Sufferings that we learn many virtues that we would not otherwise. <http://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/the-sufferings-of-christ-a-treatise-on-repentance-and-forgiveness/556880667724230> It is when we endure sickness that we LONG to be well and so we learn NOT TO HESITATE to pray for others in pain and suffering whether or not the fault is their own or another's. It is when we are pressed and fall broken before GOD, that we find HE IS MORE THAN ABLE to carry us beyond anything we could ever imagine, and STRENGTHENS us thereby to strengthen others! <http://biblehub.com/ephesians/3-20.htm>

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2 Corinthians 4:8-12 Amplified Bible (AMP)

8 We are hedged in (pressed) on every side [troubled and oppressed in every way], but not cramped *or* crushed; we suffer embarrassments *and* are perplexed *and* unable to find a way out, but not driven to despair;

9 We are pursued (persecuted and hard driven), but not deserted [to stand alone]; we are struck down to the ground, but never struck out *and* destroyed;

10 Always carrying about in the body the liability *and* exposure to the same putting to death that *the Lord* Jesus suffered, so that the [[a]resurrection] life of Jesus also may be shown forth by *and* in our bodies.

11 For we who live are constantly [experiencing] being handed over to death for Jesus' sake, that the [[b]resurrection] life of Jesus also may be evidenced through our flesh which is liable to death.

12 Thus death is actively at work in us, but [it is in order that [c]our] life [may be actively at work] in you.

One time I was

examining <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zm97le49ULM> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=47OkuvT5JFo> and the verse <http://biblehub.com/isaiah/52-14.htm> that tells us plainly that Yahoshuah was marred more than anyone. I thought about all the wars, all the atrocities too evil to even mention done to others down through the years and started to wonder at all the tortures and horrendous suffering so many have endured. What I was wondering was this inference that Christ suffered more than us all. While I was wondering just how has God suffered more than any of us, I fell asleep and began having a dream, I have no idea how long it lasted in which God took my spirit and placed me inside people as they were being tortured and dying, it was horrible beyond words! I experienced many ways people suffer and die so many ways! and then I saw thousands upon thousands horribly maltreated down through the years tortured in many ways, murdered in many ways and awoke realizing GOD is inside and upon every single one of His Children! He goes through not only what He endured during His Incarnation, but what all His Children endure! He is not just with them in a distant way, but everyone who has received Him, His very Holy Spirit is fused with them, inside and upon them! He experiences their pain, their suffering, their anguish, and more! Two things I have learned about suffering 1) <https://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/why-so-much-suffering/735857516493210> it is the result of sin in ourselves and others 2) <https://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/the-blame-game/573217459423884> when we fail to recognize all suffering is due to our own disobedience to God and that of others and attempt to blame Him for it, our suffering remains or gets worse. Until your thoughts, words and deeds come into obedience to the Love and Will of our Creator, suffering exists as the means to lead you and us all to repentance from those thoughts, words and deeds that cause it in the first place. The more people that are doing wickedly on earth the more suffering increases and the more people that are doing righteously on earth the more healing and health increases. It is a direct correspondence. God heals the repentant in His Mercy, but the sinners only increase their own suffering and the suffering of others. <http://biblehub.com/john/5-14.htm> It is one of the reasons we are instructed to and the wise zealously call ALL souls to repentance and to KNOW, LOVE and OBEY <https://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/god/719346771477618>

Through suffering, trials and tribulation, we learn that our GOD desires of us to no longer focus on self but to focus on others all around us, we learn to allow our selfish desires to fade as we finally see that we are here to help each other. The more we suffer the more we know how others feel who are suffering and so the more fervently we pray for them, embrace and encourage them, have compassion upon and strengthen them. As we can read in the following citations, that suffering actually serves to

build virtuous character in many ways; so that GOD may manifest Himself in our lives and do so powerfully.

<http://biblehub.com/acts/14-22.htm> and <http://biblehub.com/romans/8-18.htm> and http://biblehub.com/2_corinthians/4-17.htm and <http://biblehub.com/james/1-3.htm> and <http://biblehub.com/romans/5-3.htm> It is in these passages that we see that suffering teaches us many things. We learn to have compassion on others who suffer all around us. We learn to act as Christ instinctively to comfort others who are enduring trials and tribulations. We learn that GOD is with us through it all, not just when we are on the mountain top but down in the valleys. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4QvVUdI34KA&list=PL2018498757FD7A76&index=67> And so we receive strength by walking with Christ, each of us bearing our cross, learning to trust and obey the Almighty. Such great suffering enables us to notice the plight of those all around us and feel the intense desire to lift up and encourage them all without hesitation.

<http://biblehub.com/romans/5-3.htm>

Faith Brings Peace and Joy...3And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; 4and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope; 5and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

He who is more than able will bring you through them all, and in His Glorious Presence, all of those moments of sorrow and suffering will vanish away until they are completely forgotten! <http://biblehub.com/isaiah/65-17.htm> and <http://biblehub.com/revelation/21-1.htm>

Let the LORD of GLORY, <https://www.facebook.com/notes/michael-swenson/god/719346771477618>, reign in your lives at all times, whether enjoying Blessings, or enduring trials and tribulations!!!!!!! And remember that the Day fast approaches when all these dark and terrible things in the world presently will be past and long forgotten!! Amen.

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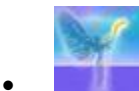
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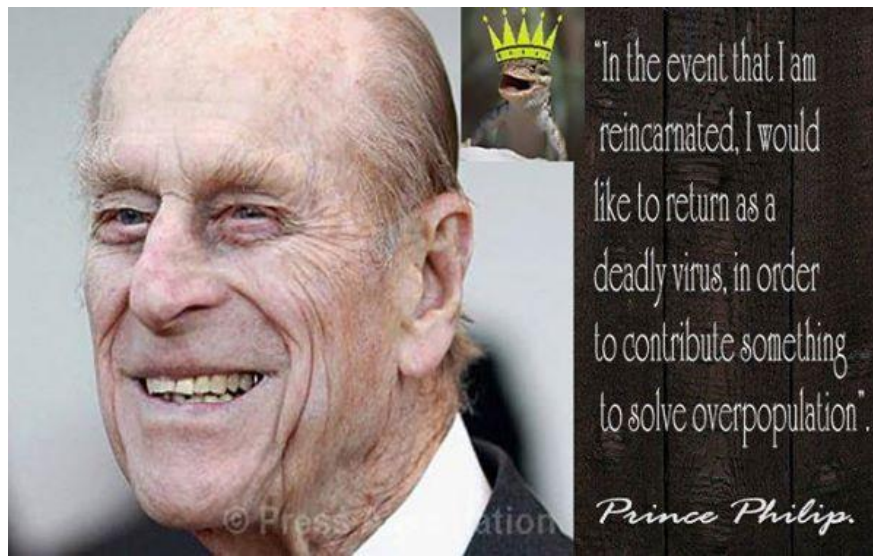
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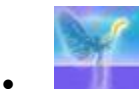
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