

Why Does God Allow Suffering and Disappointment? – Part 2

I. Sometimes it is No **F** _____ of our own.

As [Jesus] went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” “Neither this man nor his parents sinned,” said Jesus, - John 9:1-3a

- A. False **G** _____: Feeling guilt or responsibility for a tragedy we had nothing to do with.
1. Swallow your pride and release your situation to the Lord.
 2. Accept that your situation will never be perfect.
 - a. Ask, “What Can I do?” NOT “What Can’t I do?”

II. Sometimes it is so His **P** _____ can be seen.

...“but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” – John 9:3a-5

- A. It may not be **P** _____.
- B. It may be an opportunity for God to bless you and reveal His glory.
And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. – Romans 8:28 (NIV)
- Are bad things God’s will? – NO. God can work all things and manage the outcome so that good will come out in the end.
- C. Do not give up being faithful.
Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. – Galatians 6:9

III. Sometimes it is so we can Experience His **I** _____ and **C** _____.

“Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. – Luke 13:34

Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings, - Psalm 17:8

For you have been a refuge for me, a strong tower from the enemy. I will dwell in your tent forever. I will take refuge in the shelter of your wings. Selah. – Psalm 61:3-4

- A. God’s intimacy is available for us when we are going through the storm. Do not reject Him.
- B. What will you do today? Will you Reject Jesus or Receive Him?

Answers:

I. Fault; A. Guilt

II. Plan; A. Punishment

III. Intimacy, Comfort