

1 **If God Is Good
Why Does He Let Me Hurt?
*The Value of Suffering***

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If God is all good, he would defeat evil.
If God is all powerful, he could defeat evil.
But evil is not defeated.
Therefore, there is no such God.
God is either impotent or malevolent.

--Philosopher David Hume

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If God is all good, he would defeat evil.
If God is all powerful, he could defeat evil.
But evil is not yet defeated.
Therefore, God will defeat evil.
God is all good, all powerful, and merciful.

--Biblical Perspective

6 **Why is there evil?**

- God did not create evil. Evil came by man's choice.
- God gave freedom to mankind.
- Man chose to rebel.

7 **How Does God Use
Suffering in Our Lives?**

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10 **A good and loving God
is in control.**

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We know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Romans 8:28

13 **Paraphrase of Romans 8:28**

"The Lord may not have planned that this should overtake me, but He has most certainly permitted it. Therefore, though it were an attack of an enemy, by the time it reaches me, it has the Lord's

permission, and therefore all is well. He will make it work together with all life's experiences for good."

- 14 **God never wastes our suffering, not a scrap of it. He redeems all of it for His glory and our benefit.**