

# CONVERSATIONS | How Can a Good God Allow Suffering?

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What we do in \_\_\_\_\_ echoes into \_\_\_\_\_. (*Job 1:6-12*)

Suffering \_\_\_\_\_ can have an \_\_\_\_\_ impact.

True \_\_\_\_\_ is not forced \_\_\_\_\_. (*Genesis 3:16-17*)

## FOUR CAUSES OF SUFFERING:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ forces
2. Dumb decisions \_\_\_\_\_ make
3. Dumb decisions \_\_\_\_\_ make
4. \_\_\_\_\_ world

(*1 John 5:19; Romans 8:22-23(a); John 3:16*)

It was God's choice to \_\_\_\_\_ so we would have an end to our \_\_\_\_\_. (*1 Peter 4:12-13*)

Christianity doesn't provide the exact \_\_\_\_\_ for suffering. It provides the \_\_\_\_\_ to face it. (*1 Peter 4:19; Romans 11:33-36*)

Christ isn't the \_\_\_\_\_; Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_.

If God is so good, why does He allow suffering? To make us more like \_\_\_\_\_. (*Job 1:20-22; Ephesians 6:12*)

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

"*The Reason for God (Ch.2)*" - Tim Keller  
"*Disappointment with God*" - Philip Yancey  
"*Letters from a Skeptic*" - Gregory Boyd