

# Bad Things Happen



If God Exists, why does he allow bad things to happen? When talking to someone who doesn't believe in God, it's common for them to say that God is cruel because He allows terrible things to happen, such as the death of innocent children or even worse. The truth is bad things do happen in this world because of humanity's free will and the fallen state of our world due to sin. Sin and death entered the world when Adam and Eve disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden and ate from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Genesis 2:16-17 (KJV): And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Genesis 3:6-7 (KJV): And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and also gave unto her husband with her, and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons.

God gave us free will because He desires us to choose and love Him willingly, not forced or programmed like robots. Unfortunately, with free will comes the possibility of making bad choices that can have consequences for ourselves and others. And even though God does allow suffering and evil in this world, He also provides comfort and strength to endure it.

God never intended for us to get sick, die, or face terrible situations. However, humans are free to make choices, even ones that harm others. Those who choose to harm others will face punishment on Judgment Day.

Although we sometimes make decisions that are not in our best interest or the interests of those around us, God has not abandoned us. He sent His son, Jesus Christ, to bear our sins and sufferings on the cross, giving us eternal life and hope even while suffering.

Think about this: if there's no God, there's no Satan. So, who do we blame when bad things happen? Is it just chance and randomness? Are these unfortunate occurrences just a natural part of how things evolved?

Sometimes, despite difficulties, God can work wonders and bring good out of bad situations. We may not always grasp the reason behind tragic events, but we can rest assured that God has a bigger plan and purpose for our lives.

Romans 8:28 (KJV): And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

The fact that there is evil and suffering in the world does not mean that God doesn't exist or that He doesn't profoundly love humanity. When we face difficult times, it's important to remember that God has given us free will, which means we have the choice to do good or evil. Sometimes, people choose to do evil things, and that's why there is suffering in the world. But this doesn't mean that God is absent or doesn't care. He cares so much that He sent His son, Jesus, to take on our pain and offer us eternal life. Even though we may not always understand why bad things happen, we can trust that God is always working for the good of those who love Him, as stated in Romans 8:28. The presence of evil doesn't prove that God doesn't exist; instead, it points us in the direction of our need for His grace, love, and redemption even more.

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2. **Romans 8:28 (KJV):** And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. Even in our trials, God is weaving something beautiful. Trust in His plan! #Faith #Hope