

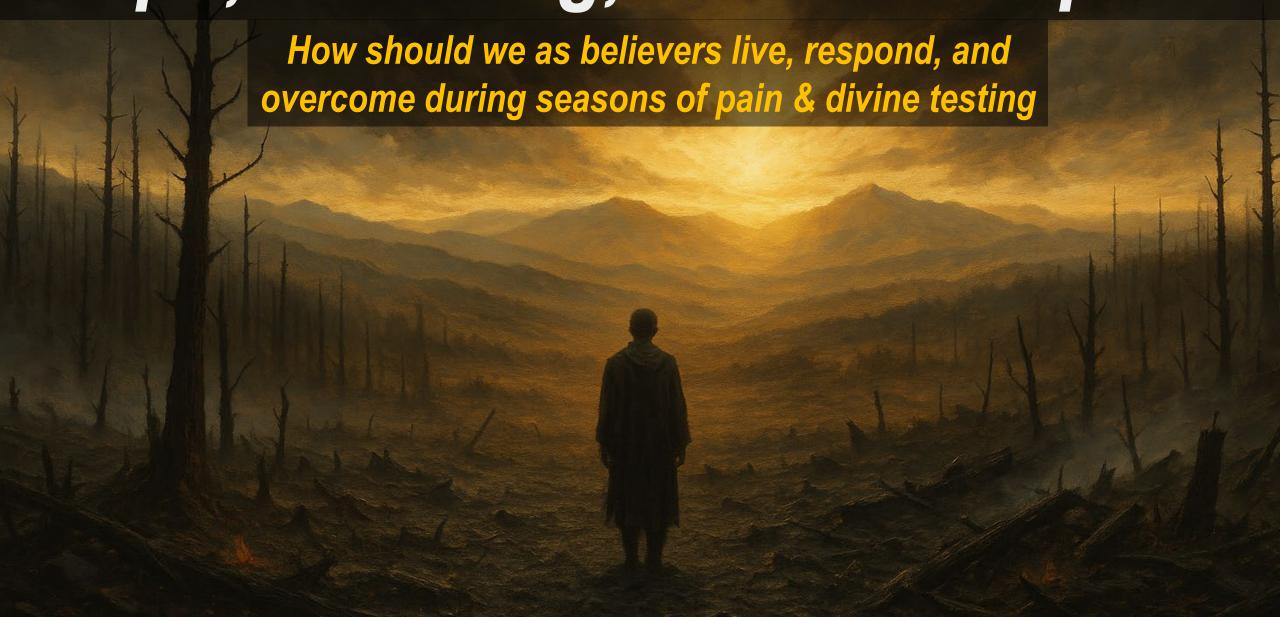
### Welcome to our Virtual Bible Study

**Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025** 

Hope, Suffering, & Redemption

WE WILL BEGIN SHORTLY...







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#### TONIGHT'S FOCUS

How does God redeem our suffering to produce purpose and legacy?

#### Suffering Forms Christ's Character in Us

Suffering shows us that God uses hard seasons to shape who we are. What feels painful often becomes the place where Christ grows His character in us and prepares us for what He has called us to do.

We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation.

**Romans 5:3-4** 

#### Hebrews 5:7-8

During the days of Jesus' life on earth, He offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the One Who could save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverent submission. Although He was a son, He learned obedience from what He suffered

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance

James 1:2-3 NIV

"Suffering becomes holy when we realize God is shaping the version of us that the future will require."

#### Suffering Becomes Ministry That Strengthens Others

Suffering reminds us that what God brings us through, He will use to help others. Our healed places become the very places where our story can lift someone else who is walking through a similar struggle.

All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

# "God turned it"

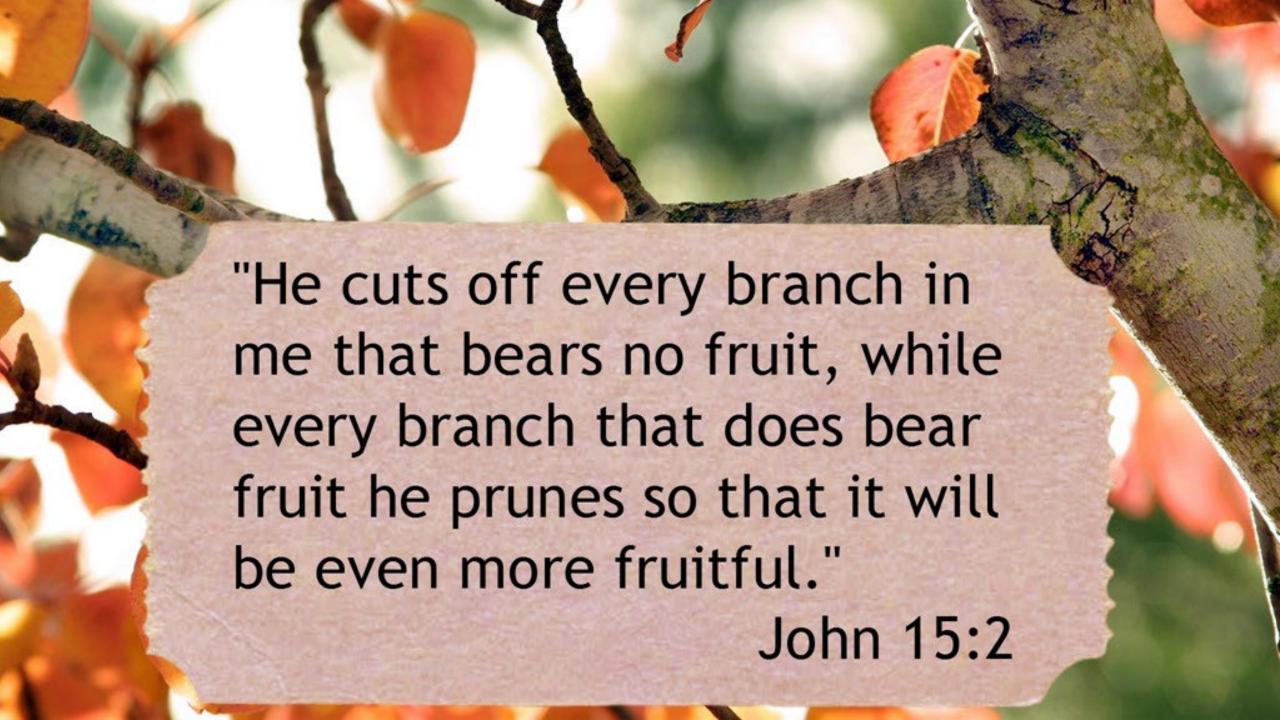
YOU INTENDED TO HARM ME, BUT GOD INTENDED IT FOR GOOD TO ACCOMPLISH WHAT IS NOW BEING DONE, THE SAVING OF MANY LIVES.

GENESIS 50:20

"God never heals us only for us. Every restored place in our lives becomes proof that someone else can rise too."

## Suffering Produces Eternal Fruit That Outlasts Us

Suffering teaches us that God produces lasting results from our trials. What we endure becomes spiritual fruit in our lives, shaping our faith in ways that continue long after the pain is gone.



#### **1 Samuel 1:20 NLT**

<sup>20</sup> and in due time she gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I asked the LORD for him."

So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up.

Galatians 6:9

"What we endure in silence often becomes the very fruit that heaven celebrates for generations."

#### Suffering Creates a Legacy That Speaks Long After We Are Gone

Suffering shows us that the story God writes through our pain continues long after the moment has passed. When He redeems our hardship, it becomes a testimony that keeps speaking, guiding, and strengthening those who will come after us.

"Each generation will praise You and tell the next generation about the great things You do."

**PSALM 145:4** 

Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be renowned in Israel!

RUTH 4:14

"I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand on the earth."

Job 19:25

### Acts 7:59-60 (ESV)

And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

"Legacy is born when God uses the pain we have survived to give strength and hope to those who will live after us, long after we are gone."



# QUESTIONS. COMMENTS. or COMMENTARY