

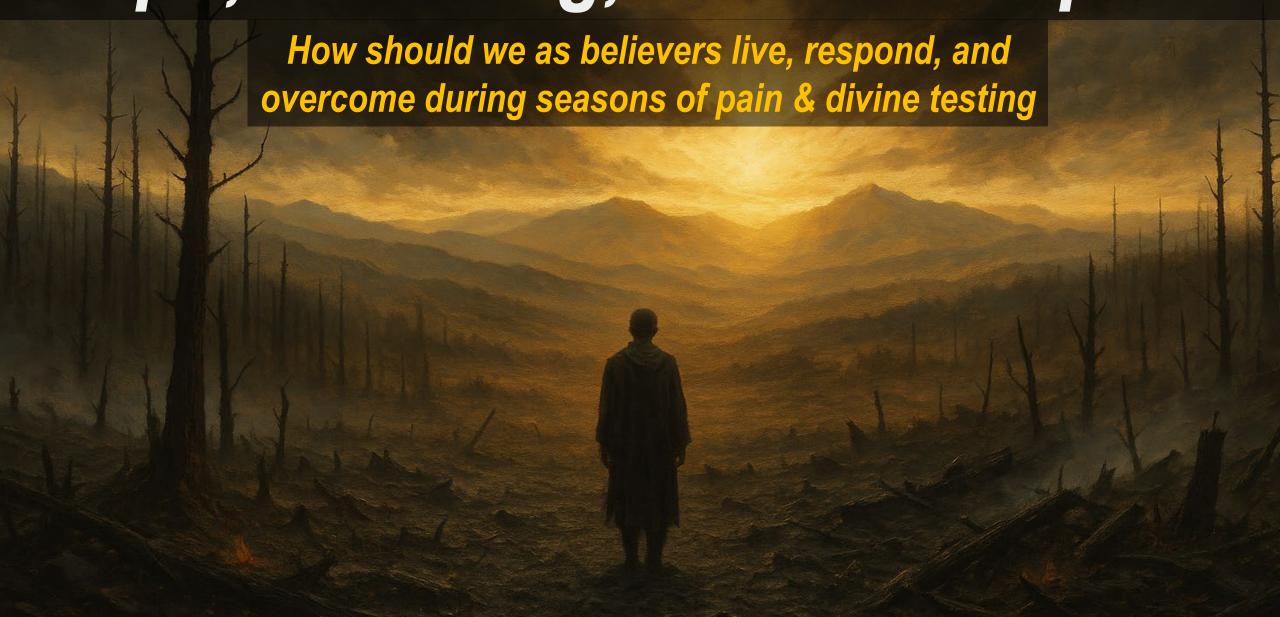
Welcome to our Virtual Bible Study

Thursday, Nov. 20, 2025

Hope, Suffering, & Redemption

WE WILL BEGIN SHORTLY...







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TONIGHT'S FOCUS

How does God bring our suffering to a divine conclusion that ends in restoration and eternal joy?

God Promises Restoration After We Have Suffered

God promises that our pain won't last forever.
When we go through hard seasons, He is already planning our restoration. What feels broken right now is not the end of our story; God will rebuild, renew, and restore everything we have lost in His perfect time.

In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation.

1 Peter 5:10

INSTEAD OF YOUR SHAME YOU SHALL HAVE DOUBLE HONOR, AND INSTEAD OF CONFUSION THEY SHALL REJOICE IN THEIR PORTION. THEREFORE IN THEIR LAND THEY SHALL POSSESS DOUBLE: EVERLASTING JOY SHALL BE THEIRS.

ISAIAH 61:7 NKJV

"Return to the stronghold,
You prisoners of

HOPE.

Even today I declare

That I will restore double to you."

(Zechariah 9:12)

"When God restores, He doesn't return us to what we were but rather he reveals what we were always meant to be."

God Turns Sorrow into Joy and Pain into Praise

God knows how to turn our deepest sorrow into joy. He can take the very things that once hurt us and use them to bring us closer to Him. Over time, what once brought tears can become a reason for praise because God never wastes our pain.

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting 🧸 joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. Isaiah 35:10

You have turned my mourning into joyful dancing. You have taken away my clothes of mourning and clothed me with joy, that I might sing praises to you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever!

- Psalm 30:11-12 -



Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!

He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,

shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

Psalm 126:5-6



John 16:20-22 NLT

²⁰ I tell you the truth, you will weep and mourn over what is going to happen to me, but the world will rejoice. You will grieve, but your grief will suddenly turn to wonderful joy. ²¹ It will be like a woman suffering the pains of labor. When her child is born, her anguish gives way to joy because she has brought a new baby into the world. 22 So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again; then you will rejoice, and no one can rob you of that joy.



"The sound of redemption is joy rising where sorrow once lived, and praise rising where pain once reigned."

God Rewards Faithfulness Through Suffering With Glory

When we stay faithful through hard times, God sees it. He never forgets our endurance or our trust in Him. Every time we choose to believe in the middle of pain, we are storing up a greater reward that will one day be revealed in glory.

Romans 8:17-18 NLT

¹⁷ And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

¹⁸ Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later.

Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; if we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

2 Timothy 2:11-13

God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

James 1:12

So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.

Hebrews 10:35-36

"Every act of endurance writes a line in the story of glory that God will one day unveil through your life."

Our Ultimate Restoration Will Be Eternal Joy in the Presence of God

One day, all suffering will end. We will live forever in God's presence, where there will be no more tears, pain, or loss. Our final restoration will be perfect joy; being with Christ forever, whole, healed, and at peace.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Revelation 21:3-4

For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it. ¶ And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Isaiah 25:8-9

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

Philippians 3:20-21

"Suffering may shape this life for a time, but eternal joy will define the life to come."



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