

West Valley Church of Christ – November 3, 2024

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Devotional: 6:30 p.m.

TRIALS CAN STRENGTHEN OUR FAITH



The Book of Job is the Old Testament's definitive statement on the subject of the goodness and righteousness of God in the light of human suffering. If God is all-powerful and entirely good, why does He permit His own people to suffer? Many assume that all suffering is a result of sinfulness on the part of the

sufferer which is not true. We may not completely understand His ways, but we must know God is always seeking the spiritual and eternal welfare of human kind. God can use anything and everything that happens, to make better people of us (Romans 8:28). The trials which we go through provide a proving ground for the strengthening of our faith (I Peter 1:6-9, James 1:2-4). Let us never blame God for trouble, but rather look to Him for help. Jesus said, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Here is a question we know the answer from the Bible. "Why did God permit His own Son to experience the cross?"

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