

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?

Answering the myths about suffering

(John 12:27-28)

The Problem of Pain

The Answer to Our Questions (John 12:27-28)

5 popular myths about suffering

Myth #5: Suffering doesn't really hurt really spiritual people.

Myth #4: Suffering must mean God is trying to teach me something, or grow me spiritually.

Myth #3: Suffering means I am not doing God's will.

Myth #2: Suffering has no purpose- it's just meaningless and cruel.

Myth #1: Suffering means God does not love me.

Discussion Questions:

- What are questions you hope to have answered about suffering?
- What myth about suffering have you struggled with the most?
- What was given as the ultimate reason for suffering in the world? Do you agree or disagree? What is hard about that answer? What is helpful about that answer?