

Experiencing Disappointment

We have the right to ask God why things are happening to us.



1 Peter 5:6-10 KJV

[6] Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: [7] Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. [8] Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: [9] Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. [10] But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

When you experience pain, disappointed, hurt, distressful circumstances, how do you respond?

1. A shout of profanity?
2. Do you look for someone to blame?
3. Do you get angry with God, demanding an explanation?
4. Do you view it as God punishing you for some wrong?
5. Do you view it as God getting your attention?
6. Is God using this to show I need to be totally dependent upon him?
7. Do you view it as a satanic attract?
8. Is God testing my faith in order to grow my faith?

God makes it clear why he allows trials and weaknesses in our life. We should remember these passages:

2 Corinthians 12:7 KJV

And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

Isaiah 55:8-9 KJV

[8] For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord . [9] For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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.

1 Peter 5:10 KJV

But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

How should we respond immediately:

1. Remember you are a child of God.
2. Recall what God says, "I am with you always".
3. God has allowed this experience for some divine purpose.
4. Thank God for being with us regardless of what we are about to face and for never leaving our side. Know that God has your best interests in mind and ultimately this experience will be for his glory.

How we respond depends a lot how we see god in our life and what our relationship with him is like. anything that drives us to God is a wonderful thing!