

1 Thessalonians Series

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**Trusting God:
Hope; Doctrine of Suffering
1 Thessalonians 1:8**



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THESSALONIANS

**THEREFORE, COMFORT ONE
ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS**

1 Thess. 1:8, “For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place. Your faith toward God has gone out, so that we do not need to say anything.”

πίστις *pistis*
nom fem sing
faith, belief, trust;
value; proof

Rom. 8:28, “And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.”

Isa. 40:31,

“But those who wait on the LORD

Shall renew their strength;

They shall mount up with wings like eagles,

They shall run and not be weary,

They shall walk and not faint.”

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“to wait for, hope”

Ten Reasons We Suffer

1. Adamic responsibility; The result of the fall of sin. We are all guilty of Adam's sin.

All human suffering is the result of living in a corrupt universe.

Ten Reasons We Suffer

2. Individual volitional responsibility.

Gal. 6:7b, “Whatsoever a man sows that shall he also reap.”

Ten Reasons We Suffer

3. Divine discipline.

Heb. 12:6, “For those whom the Lord loves He disciplines, and He scourges every son whom He receives.

Heb. 12:7, “It is for discipline that you endure; God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline?”

Heb. 12:8, “But if you are without discipline, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.”

Ten Reasons We Suffer

3. Divine discipline

2 Sam. 12:5, “So David’s anger was greatly aroused against the man, and he said to Nathan, ‘As the Lord lives, the man who has done this shall surely die!

2 Sam. 12:6, “ ‘And he shall restore fourfold for the lamb, because he did this thing and because he had no pity.’ ”

Ten Reasons We Suffer

3. Divine discipline

2 Sam. 12:11, “Thus says the LORD: ‘Behold, I will raise up adversity against you from your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun.

2 Sam. 12:12, “ ‘For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel, before the sun.’ ”

Ten Reasons We Suffer

3. Divine discipline

David's fourfold restitution:

1. The baby died, 2 Sam. 12:14
2. David's son Amnon raped his sister Tamar, 2 Sam. 13:14
3. Absalom killed Amnon, 2 Sam. 13:28–29
4. Absalom revolt's against David, 2 Sam. 15:7–12 and Absalom's death, 2 Sam. 18:9

Ten Reasons We Suffer

- 4. We are connected to someone involved in 2 or 3: a spouse, parent, family member, business, or nation.**

Ten Reasons We Suffer

5. Living in the kosmic system.