

Don't Blame God:

# The Problem Of Evil



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Over coffee, I was talking to Bob, a Vietnam Vet, about God while waiting for a technology demo. Bob refuses to believe in God. He related to me some extraordinarily cruel war crimes in Vietnam. He was now quite a buff on war crimes. "How could a God let the Prussians of 1890 throw innocent babies up in the air



and bayonet them in front of their mothers?" "How could God stand by a watch the extermination camps of Hitler, Pol Pot, Stalin and others" he questioned. "Not to mention the serial rapists and child molesters in the news everyday" Bob added. Bob concluded, "Evil proves there is no God or if there is a God, either he is cruel or just doesn't care".

**This, in a nutshell, is the Problem of Evil. If God is good then how can there be evil? Is Bob right? Is there No God or Does God not care!**

To understand the answers to this important issue we must begin by answering the question "What is Evil"

and “How did Evil come to exist”?

These are profound questions with answers that are fundamental to understanding the Intelligent Design of our existence and the destiny of the human soul. (See The Deliberate Design of Destiny <sup>1</sup>by Theodore A Green) In fact it is my belief that history and life itself is designed to resolve this very problem of Evil.

To understand this profound truth one must first define EVIL. Most philosophers and people define EVIL as pain, suffering, destruction and violence. This leads to the mistaken concept of God being both Good and Evil. According to this belief, Good and Evil are just two different sides of the same coin. Evil is just the “Dark Side” if you will, made so famous by Star Wars and a long time part of Oriental Philosophy.

It is reasoned, that Good would not be known unless there was Evil. It is then somehow reasoned that we would not understand good unless there was evil and therefore evil is necessary part of Good. Again this comes from a mistaken understanding of Evil.

Pain, destruction, suffering and violence are not inherently evil. Great violence and destruction was necessary to create the worlds and stars we know today. Birth and growth are intrinsically connected to pain and change. Most importantly, without pain and demolition there would be no corrective action. The

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<sup>1</sup> The Deliberate Design of Destiny, Theodore A Green available [www.createspace.com](http://www.createspace.com) or Amazon.com

surgeon knife brings health only through pain and removal of tissue. Without these “evil” forces there would be no way to keep existence in harmony. These forces are tools in the hands of God.

Pain, destruction and violence are a necessary part of God for creation, corrective action and growth. Pain, Destruction, suffering and Violence are indeed a part of God, but they are not true evil. They are used by God for the greater good, health and harmony.

True Evil is the use of these forces for one’s own gain. Using these forces to gain power and pleasure, to build empires or harems is all part of the Lucifer Principle<sup>2</sup> and the core of True Evil.

The Lucifer Principle is too complex to explain here. In a nut shell, the Lucifer Principle consists of methods and tactics the enemy uses to blind men and women of the love of God bringing them under the control of their animal nature, the domain under Lucifer’s control. The domain where might makes right and survival of the fittest and carnal satisfaction rule. This is a world like ours where pain, destruction, violence and lies are used for one’s personal gain, the definition of True Evil.

Understanding the nature and difference between true Evil and Evil enables us to understand some very key scripture that answer the question of “What is evil?” and brings light into a very misunderstood

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<sup>2</sup> The True Lucifer Principle is too complex to discuss here. There is more @[www.truthwaylife.com](http://www.truthwaylife.com)

verse of the bible.

**Isa 45:7** I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, **and create evil**: I the LORD do all these *things*.<sup>8</sup> Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; I the LORD have created it.

Pain, Destruction and Violence are a part of God. These forces are a part of Good and they are a part of Love. This was well understood by the ancient scribes of the bible. Indeed, that is why they used the word 'ra ah', which modern translation translate to 'calamity'. Clearly, here in Isaiah verse 8, as well as in lamentations (3:28), the purpose of this "evil" is to bring righteousness and salvation to the earth through corrective action. Surgery, discipline and punishment inherently bring suffering but to the ultimate purpose of bring the body, mind and spirit back into harmony with God.

Nevertheless, this does beg the question "**where then did true Evil come from?**" Obviously, the potential for True Evil is inherent in the nature of God, for God is love and God is good. God does not make zombies or robots that cannot choose. Freedom of choice is fundamental to love. As a good father or mother or lover knows, choice is inherent risk in any relationship of love.

In the case of Evil, the risk was that some created being would use pain destruction and violence for

their personal power, pleasure and pride. This is familiar territory for the Jihads, crusades, fascism, and barbarianism that have plagued mankind over the centuries. In effect this is using the violent powers of God in rebellion against God.

The bible reveals the first such act of rebellion in the ancient past, a rebellion against the harmony of God. This rebellion began the war between Good and Evil. All the maladies of humanity are simply the symptoms of this epic struggle between Good and Evil? The bible declares allegorically:

**Isa 14:12** How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, *and* consider thee, *saying, Is* this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

Notice how Lucifer declares that he will “exalt his throne above the stars of God” and that he will “ascend above the heights of the clouds” and that he will “sit upon the mount of the congregation” and “will be like the most high”. Clearly, this is a declaration of War against God. It does not take rocket science to see that “Lucifer, son of the

morning” was a powerful Angel that saw the power of pain, destruction and violence and decided that he could use these to dethrone God. The Great War<sup>3</sup> against righteousness began when this iniquity was found in the heart of Lucifer.

**Eze 28:15** Thou *wast* perfect in thy ways from the day that thou *wast* created, till iniquity was found in thee.

Ok, so evil is not so much a part of God as it is literally a diabolical plot to overthrow God by conquering God’s kingdom through pain, destruction, suffering and violence. A War in which we are all caught up in. Willingly or un-willingly, as discussed in the Great War and the Lucifer Principle, we join one side or the other, through our choices. As Joshua told the Israelites in the deserts of Egypt.

**Jos 24:15** And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

This is a timeless challenge that Joshua put forth. Wither it be the Germans and Japanese joining the Nazi and Fascist movements or Muslims and Christian joining Jihads and crusades **when we choose a God of violence**, people die! People become programmed into the Lucifer Principle and then

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<sup>3</sup> **The Great War** available @ [www.truthwaylife.com](http://www.truthwaylife.com)

bombs of evil explode killing the guilty and innocent alike! This is the story of history. This is the story of life!

In light of all this true evil in the world, causing such suffering and pain, the question must be asked\_“is God winning?” and “does God Care?”

God does care and he has already won! This is the very foundation of Christianity. God knows that the world is infected with evil and must be destroyed! God is quite aware of the [Lucifer Principle](#)<sup>4</sup>.

He warned ADAM and EVE in Gen 2:17 “... thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.”, and die we do. He even exiled man from paradise that we should not live forever in such a horrible state.

**Gen 3:22** And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: 23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

Even as God curse the ground that man should work hard to live he was in fact helping man to temper the Evil within. After all, idle hands are indeed the devils workshop. God knew that once introduced into true

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evil only hardship, pain and suffering could bring humanity back into harmony with love. This is the surgeon's scalpel at work. 2Pe 3:9 reflects this beautifully:

**2Pe 3:9** "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

The fact is that God so cares that God has personally intervened many times in history to temper the corruption of evil. Not only did he send his son Jesus Christ but God has also walk many times among men and intervened in the affairs of Man. Several times in the history of man He has tempered the corruption of Evil on Mankind.

**Gen 6:5** And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.:6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. 7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. 8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

God does CARE. He grieves the corruption of evil on man. He almost has, and can and will destroy mankind from the face of the earth. The scientific

evidence of the Great Flood strongly supports Gen 6 claim that God nearly destroyed mankind from the face of the earth. It's important to keep that in mind. For God cannot abide true Evil.

Nevertheless, here in the passage above we also see the compassion God has for good men. Compassion, even if just one family, Noah's, is worthy of God's mercy. God is long suffering and will not always resort to mankind's destruction. Even the city of Sodom would be saved if God had found 5 good men! It was not to be.

Similarly, as time progresses, the heart of humanity as a whole becomes harder and harder and less and less people will side with a God of love. God actually has to intervene and temper the corruption Evil within. Here, once again at the tower of Babel, God must



delay the inevitable destruction to give righteousness a chance and people a choice.

It is interesting to note that Babel, the Hebrew word of Babylon located in present day IRAQ has historically been a flash point for the destruction of mankind.

God has had to personally intervene.

**Gen 11:5** And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men

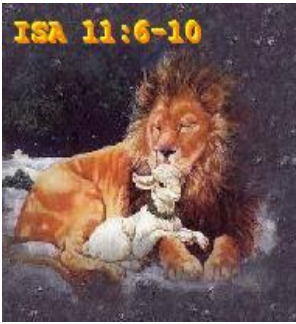
buildd.6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. 7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. 8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. 9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

### **So it must not be said that God doesn't care.**

God has indeed prolonged and mediated the destiny of Mankind. However, this does not solve the problem of Evil. God has long recognizes [the Lucifer Principle](#) in man and humanities ultimate destiny of destruction. That is why He established the law and the profits through Moses. Even more important is that God has given us the ultimate solution to the problem of evil, [Jesus the Christ](#).

**1Jo 4:9** In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

This is key. If the world would but choose to follow Jesus Christ then most all the evil would disappear.



Wars would all but disappear. crime would vanish. Even the famines, earthquakes and natural disasters would be of low impact as Christians would come to the aide of the afflicted. The United States is a poor excuse of this but as many in foreign lands dominated by

other God's will tell you It is the greatest the world has. The United States Freedoms, standard of living, justice and opportunities are the envy of the nations.

The entire blessings of this great nation are based on its foundation on true Christianity. It is not perfect; the USA has its conflicts and hypocrisy and seems to be leaving its heritage behind. Nevertheless, the USA is the only nation to have all colors and cultures living in relative harmony which is an example of what can happen when a nation is founded on Christ, the ultimate solution to true evil. It's like a reflection of the lion living with the lamb in prosperity.

Not surprisingly, it has become a target of true evil. All nations of course will not choose the way of righteousness of Christ. The very right to choose and basic human rights are a threat to nations dominated by true evil. The freedom of choice, the freedom of Press, the freedom of speech, women rights and fair trials would mean that the principalities and rulers would have to compete against a God of Love. **True**

## **Evil cannot stand the competition! True evil cannot stand liberty!**

In the next section we will examine the progress and duration of this conflict between true evil and God in more depth but for now understand that despite the hardening of hearts and nations against the Christ God does care and he will triumph over all the true evil in this world. All creation will see what happens when people do not side with the God of love. The horrid state of affairs will be a monument to the horror true evil, forever. God will then gain this goal of harmony for a creation by destroying evil from the face of the earth. Evil will be destroyed, cast into the lake of fire if you will.

**Rev 20:11** And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. :12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. :13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. :14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. :15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

**The Question then is not “does God care?” but why does he not do anything about Evil, now!**

God timing is not always in align with our timing for we know in part and see in part. (1cor 13: ) The knowledge of the nature of true evil helps us to understand that evil is not a thing. It's not a virus or some black goop that is among us. It is a choice of will. The knowledge as the bible puts it of Good and Evil. Knowledge as the word is used here is to know something intimately and thoroughly as Adam “knew” Eve.

History and life prove that mankind knows evil all too well. The more technological and sophisticated he becomes the more dangerous the world becomes. Humanity literally lives on the edge of instant extinction by its own weapons of mass destruction. Is this not proof positive that true evil is intricate part of the human experience, just as the bible says?

**Rom 3:23** For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

**Isa 64:6** But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousness *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Will humanity overcome the Evil within before it destroys itself? Life and history is all about overcoming this disease in our souls, here called sin. (See [THE DISEASED SOUL](#)) Life, like a cancer patient, is all about the struggle to overcome this

infectious and deadly disease. Only unlike Cancer with life we have an adversary who would see us die in our sins!

This has been the plan of the evil one from the beginning, to deteriorate the soul such that it cannot see God, to keep us from the cure. True evil lusts for the power and thrill of a kingdom filled with souls that cannot see or hear the call of a God of Love.

Using violence, lies, suffering and destruction, True Evil seeks to bury and destroy the love of God.

**1Pe 5:8** Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour

The disease of our Soul is like powerful biological warfare in the hands of the Enemy of God. Satan seeks the ones he can devour by producing situations of evil that explode and infect and harm more souls and progresses the disease.

This result is some kind of bizarre Glory for him as he seeks to destroy God's creation. The enemy of God has indeed, "crushed his [God's] heel" [Gen 3:15] when he used his powers to crucify Jesus, Eve's seed.

In this act Satan seal humanities destiny of destruction. Every lie, murder, homosexual act and rape tempts people to doubt God and to reply with violence and hatred. It is even our carelessness, lies and laziness that can explode into such bombs. Drunk drivers, snide remarks, jealousy, as well a wars,

genocide and mass murder, result in much agony and pain. Each bomb has the potential to destroy hope, faith and belief in the righteousness of God.

Satan hopes to destroy belief in God of love and righteousness and in its place to worship hatred, violence and revenge.

Look into the eyes of the Hitler youth as they goose stepped their way across Europe. Look into the eye's of the Radical Islamic youth as they shout their chants of hatred, burn flags and strap on bombs to kill as many of the "Jewish and American pigs" as they can. Look into their eyes and you will see people who have been programmed by true evil, which fears a world of liberty and truth.

The slaughters of history such as the massacre of Shiites and Sunni against each other, the genocides in Europe by Fascism, in Cambodia by communism and those going on right now in the Sudan are just examples of what the world would be like under the rule by true evil.

Indeed, if true Evil gains control of the world it will



be as in the days of Noah<sup>5</sup> when it repented the Lord of having made man. There will be no Liberty. There will be no

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<sup>5</sup> Mat 24:37 *But as the days of Noe (Noah) were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

choice. The will be only wickedness.

***Gen 6:5** And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6: And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.*

God could have destroyed creation through the Great Flood then and there, sterilizing the disease. Instead he put into motion a cure through Noah, Moses, the Jews and ultimately Jesus, the Christ. A cure that has taken thousands of years (and who know how many more?) before it separates out true evil.

This is the Good News, or the Gospel. Satan “crushed the heel” of God on Calvary by taking his life and condemning humanity. Nevertheless, just as in the prophecy, Jesus crushes the head of Satan by providing salvation for the soul, a cure for the disease call Sin.

The cure is as simple as it is clever. Through the law, the prophets and Jesus, God established a therapy against true evil. God established his Son. Indeed:

***Joh 3:16** For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

What is important to understand about the above famous scripture is that Jesus is the litmus test, the filter or the test for true evil. Jesus himself does not condemn but you condemn yourself by not

recognizing the only begotten son of God. Here is the rest of the story:

**Joh 3:17** *For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil*

If only the world understood the importance of these words they would understand that true Evil is not God's fault. The bible tells us that God desire to show his wrath upon the 'vessels made for destruction' but is long suffering that he might make known the riches of his Glory on the 'vessels of mercy'(Rom 9:22-23) Yes, as verse 19 above proclaim the light came into the world but men love darkness rather that the light.

Even in the US, where Jew, Muslim and Christian and all the colors and cultures of the world live in relative harmony, liberty and prosperity, many if not most will not see Christ as the light against the darkness of true evil. Radical Muslims stand in the streets of New York stepping on the flag and declaring the US as evil when such an act in their "beloved" Islamic nations would get them executed by the state.

It is this blindness, the darkness that true evil casts over people that separates the light from the dark. I

wish to emphasize this with this short testimony from a fellow missionary and writer

A woman, who identified herself as coming from Saudi Arabia, was most agitated. She declared that it was false to give the impression that women were oppressed in Islam. Women were “*completely free and equal.*” It was wrong to suggest that Muhammad had owned slaves, she claimed, he never mistreated anybody, and Islam is a peaceful and tolerant religion of brotherhood.

I had to remind this lady that both the Quran and the Hadith confirm that Muhammad was a slave owner and a slave trader. Muhammad gave detailed instructions concerning the treatment of slaves, including that Muslim slave masters could lawfully “*enjoy*” their female slaves sexually or even hire them out as prostitutes. “*How many women can a Muslim man marry?*” I asked. “*Four*” she replied. “*And how many men can a Muslim woman marry?*” “*What’s that got to do with it?*” She responded angrily. I pointed out that this indicates that there is no equality for women in Islam.

“Are you, as a Muslim woman, allowed to vote in Saudi Arabia?” “Of course not!” she responded angrily. “Can you, as a Muslim woman, drive a car in Saudi Arabia?” “No, but Saudi Arabia is the land of Muhammad!” “But you can drive a car here in America? Why is it that you have so many more rights and

freedoms in America than you would have in your home country of Saudi Arabia?" In response, this woman expressed very hostile views of America and its government, prompting me to ask why she had come to study in such a horrible country, under such terrible conditions, when she could be enjoying such perfect freedom back in Saudi Arabia? **Dr. Peter Hammond, Frontline Fellowship**

Because of this darkness the World continues in sorrow. The explosions of evil therefore go on. Despondently, as in any war these explosions kill both innocent and guilty alike. "In war", war correspondents often says, "A stray bullet cares not about the innocence of its victim". I honestly am often despondent with people over the loss of loved ones. Drunk drivers, suicide bombers, or even careless drivers also care not about the innocence's of their victims. Regrettably, these are what are called in war "collateral damage". A callus word indeed, but appropriate. In a world that does not recognize the truth of God, Jesus Christ, then true Evil will explode and there will be collateral damage. All I and world can do is groan and wonder why God does not do something now.

The fact is that God is long suffering and prefers to let the evil and the good grow together before the great harvest, that some may see the light! Is it not better that 10 evil people live than that one person is not saved? **This is clearly the teaching of Jesus, the Christ.**

**Mat 13:24** Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, *The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: :25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. :26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. :27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? :28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? :29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. :30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.*

Evil is just too intertwined with Good in this world. They must grow together that evil will be shown to be evil and good will be shown to be good, that the good of soul should understand and choose the Christ. That, my friend, is the essence of the [Great War](#).

**Dan 12:9** *And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. 10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.*

**So now the Problem of Evil is not “does God care?” or a question of “destroy evil now” but “why does he not protect the innocent” or “why does he not force all to do Good”.**

While these are good question in the light of an all powerful God they do lead to some rather comical



speculation on how he would do this. Would some great hand extend out of nothing to stop the bullet from hitting the innocent or the drunkards' car from killing the child? Would he stop time and secretly re-direct the bullet or car back upon the evildoer? Would

suddenly a hand slap the criminal silly before he did his evil thing? The point here is clear. How would God do this? Without a specific process it's difficult to give a specific reason. However, God does state his plan for salvation.

**Jam 2:5** *Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?*

**Rom 1:17** *For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. :18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;*

Nevertheless, let's assume he does the aforementioned, and forces all to do righteousness. There would almost certainly have to be a violation of two great rules of the Great War. These rules are Faith and liberty. (v17 below) The ways of love dictate that we must come unto God by way of faith (ie trust) in Him. (v17 above)

**2Co 3:17** *Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*

There is good reason why God follows these ways of love (Remember he is love) through liberty. If people were to come into the Kingdom of God by force or fear then their hearts would not have to change and evil would live on into eternity! God must separate those who hold the truth in unrighteousness. (v18) Recognition or faith in a God of love is that separator.

God will not use violence, imprisonment or capital punishment to force us to believe in him. Fear, trickery, violence and force are the ways of the Enemy not the ways of God. As we have learned these are the ways of true evil.

For example one of the major characteristics of the totalitarian states of fascism, communism, Islam and Nazism is to violently suppress freedom of choice, freedom of speech, freedom of press and democracy. These principalities and rulers persecute liberty because they cannot stand the competition. Such liberties are a threat to their control, power and beliefs. They know their lies would be exposed in

environment of liberty. They choose instead to use violence, fraud, suffering and lies for their own gain, the very definition of true evil.

They also hold the truth in unrighteousness through propaganda, brainwashing and keeping their population ignorant and uneducated, particularly women. Against such true evil eventually will come the wrath of God. They will not escape judgment.

For the present however, God's hand is stayed. If every innocent were to be miraculously saved or every sinner instantly crushed, i.e. by the hand of God then the Evildoers would not repent by faith, which changes their hearts, but by fear of the powerful hand of God. There would be no trust needed. Every time innocence was in harms way Evil would see the powerful and miraculous hand of God. There would be no faith needed. There would no way to separate out true evil. Evil would continue to live on into eternity to plague the Good. The curse of death would indeed be in vain.

On the other hand, faith does not stop God from doing Miracles to save the innocent. He did so when he walk on the earth as Jesus Christ and continue to do so today. There are more than a dozen examples of Jesus miracles such as healing the sick and raising the dead and calming seas to save the innocent. However to apply these miracles in a universal fashion that is both repeatable and observable would be to violate the principles of Faith. Therefore, God continues his miracles in a way what would seem a capricious

fashion to us (EX. 33:19) but I am assured that it will be made very clear in time.

**Exo 33:19** *And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.*

For God to addict or force people to be Good is far from God's nature. He will not make us some kind of Zombie for Christ. Living with our minds blown by some kind of drug or robotic mechanism is not the way of love. It is, however, the ways of the evil one, as the addicts of the world can attest! God does not want robots or unwilling slaves. Freedom and liberty are the ways of love and God will not force all people to be good. He will not force people to believe in Christ. It is not in his Spirit. It is not his way.

### **Let's review the what we have learned so far.**

1. God does care! God has personally intervened many times in history. He even established a therapy for evil, through Jesus, the Christ.
2. If God destroyed Evil now, He would have to destroy the good with bad which is an evil unto itself. So God is Longsuffering.
3. God will not force Good upon us all. That is against his nature and Love demand that we must live by faith if we are to be healed.

In fact, if you think about it, the problem of Evil shows that there is a Good God. Yes, that's right! Far from proving there is no God it proves there is a God.

### **Let me explain:**

Do you believe it is ultimately evil to throw babies up and bayonet them as the Japanese did in world war two? Do you believe it wrong to lock a young woman up in a closet and rape her every day until she escaped? Are you aghast at the evil of burning thousands of people in ovens like cordwood? Do you believe it to be ultimate evil to fly an airplane full of fuel into the twin towers full of innocent women, children and civilians?

Good, I am glad. Then you admit there is ultimate evil which means someone or something must have defined it that way. If not, then evil is a relative truth. If not, then evil is up to a society to define. For example, if you believe in evolution and its natural selection then bayoneting babies and burning people alive is just survival of the fittest! It's not evil! It's all part of the [Lucifer](#)



[Principle](#) . In fact Hitler alludes to this in his work *Mien Kampf* . He states that the Jews, homosexuals and communists polluted the pure Arian bloodline of the German people. The Holocaust was then justifiable. Osama bin Laden justified his horror in the same way. Anyone who does not believe like him is

an infidel, worthy only of destruction. He, like Hitler, is without the light of the true God of love in his soul.

Thank God we know that the behavior of Hitler and 911 is ultimate evil. We can only know this because ultimate Good define the rules for us. Yes the rules of the Great War are written in us because we were made in the image of God. We were made in the image of Good not Evil. How else would we know and recognize ultimate evil?



Think of it in the terms of light and darkness. How would you ever recognize darkness if you had not known or lived in the light? If you and everyone else had lived in darkness all your life you would not know what darkness really is. Similarly, people of the light, those made in God's image, recognize true evil. Some people may follow the Hitlers and Ben Ladens of the world because they love darkness but that does not mean it is not darkness. Jesus himself put it this way:

**Joh 8:12** Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, *I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.*

**Joh 3:19** *And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.*

Hopefully, by now you can see that far from proving that God does not exist, Evil proves that God does

exist. As darkness shows the brilliance of light so does evil show how Good and Righteous are the way of the LORD, yweh. The more God delays his coming; more people will choose righteousness and love over hate and pride. This is the ultimate purpose that God allows true Evil to continue. Every tragedy, criminal's life, and history itself is a smoking gun and a smoldering memorial to what life is like when we choose against God. The Good news is that we have an entire life to choose to follow Jesus the Christ and prove the righteousness of God.

### Should God have created life?

Now it still could be said that God should not have created life when he knew that Evil would lead it to so much suffering and pain. Indeed, in counsel of its victims have I often wondered? However, we are not God and I have found a very interesting principle. Good is made stronger through overcoming Evil. In life's struggle to survive it becomes stronger as it overcomes the pain and suffering. People rise up and find more in themselves than they knew they had. Many even find God and his strength and love.

To answer this last question, '*Should God have created life?*' We must have faith in God that all the suffering and pain is worth the ultimate Good God has for us as individual and humanity. We must trust in the purpose of God.

Now if you are a victim of Evil and suffering greatly I know that it is of little comfort for you to know that

you are “collateral damage”. Even to know that you are made stronger through suffering and pain does little. However, it should be encouraging to know that God does love you. He has promise you comfort in your time of need. Open your heart and let the spirit of God comfort you and commune with you. His invitation always stands:



**Rev 3:20** *Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.*

The pain will always be with you but so will God. Let it be a reminder of how horrible rebellion against God is. Not necessarily your sin or the victim’s sin but how horrible rebellion in general is. Then let the Holy Spirit help you to find comfort in God and you will overcome all Evil. You will be part of the solution not the problem. You will be part of the Kingdom of God. He has a place for you! God bless.

**Joh 14:2** *In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.*

However, if you do not know God then it is very important to read [salvation by faith](#). Please be part of the Kingdom of light and not part of the Problem of Evil...

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