PAIN AND SUFFERING: HOW CAN A GOOD GOD ALLOW IT?
THE STORY OF JOB
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BIG IDEA: The reality of pain and suffering in this world for both the good and the bad must be wrestled with biblically.

Introduction to the book of Job by Eugene Peterson, Author of The Message Bible

Important Principles from the Story of Job:

TROUBLE Job 14:1-2; 5
"Man born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He springs up like a flower and withers away; like a fleeting shadow, he does not endure. Man's days are determined; you have decreed the number of his months and have set limits he cannot exceed.

GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY Job 1:20-22
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MAN'S LONGING FOR A MEDIATOR Job 9:33-35
If only there were someone to arbitrate between us, to lay his hand upon us both, someone to remove God's rod from me, so that his terror would frighten me no more. Then I would speak up without fear of him, but as it now stands with me, I cannot.

TRUST AND HOPE Job 13:15
Though he slay me, yet will I hope in him; I will surely defend my ways to his face.

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