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## **Seven Questions in Suffering**

Psalm 31:5 (ESV) "Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God."

# **1.** *In times of suffering*, *where do you go?* "Into"

Escapism, Seclusion, Avoidance, Ignorance, Coping, Rebellion, Confrontation

# 2. In times of suffering, <u>who</u> do you reach out to?

"your"

Acts 17:23–24 "For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. [24] The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man" (ESV)

## **3.** In times of suffering, what do you trust? "hand"

Psalm 115:4 "Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands."

Acts 17:25 "nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything."

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### 4. In times of suffering, <u>how</u> do you endure?

"I commit my spirit;"

Hebrews 12:1-2 "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, [2] looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." (ESV)

# 5. In times of suffering, <u>why</u> do you do what you do?

"you have redeemed me"

#### **6.** In times of suffering, how do you see God? "OLORD faithful God."

"O LORD, faithful God."

### 7. Where is your heart <u>now</u>? What will be your last words here on earth? How does God want to change you today?

2 Corinthians 13:5 "Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!"

Luke 6:45 "The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks."

#### JESUS' FINAL WORDS FROM THE CROSS www.spiritualwarfare.blog/easter

1st Word from the Cross - Luke 23:34 "Father forgive them, for they do not know what they do.

2nd Word from the Cross -Luke 23:43 "Today you will be with me in paradise"

3rd Word from the Cross - John 19:26-27 "Jesus saw His own mother, and the disciple standing near whom He loved. He said to His mother, Woman, behold your son.' Then He said to the disciple, 'Behold your mother.'"

4th Word from the Cross - Mark 15:34 "And at the ninth hour, Jesus shouted in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Elon, lama sabachthani?' which is translated, My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

5th Word from the Cross - John 19:28 "He said, 'I thirst."

6th Word from the Cross - Luke 23:46 "Speaking in a loud voice, Jesus said, Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

7th Word from the Cross - John 19:30 "Jesus said, 'It is finished."

Psalm 31:23-24 "Love the LORD, all you his saints! The LORD preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride. [24] Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!"