

GOD'S PURPOSE IN PROBLEMS

Romans 8:28 And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.

Review

God Uses Problems To

Correct Us

Inspect Us

Protect Us

Connect Us

Perfect Us

God Uses Problems To _____ Us

Joseph

Genesis 39:19 Potiphar was furious when he heard his wife's story about how Joseph had treated her. 20 So he took Joseph and threw him into the prison where the king's prisoners were held, and there he remained.

21 But the Lord was with Joseph in the prison and showed him his faithful love. And the Lord made Joseph a favorite with the prison warden.

22 Before long, the warden put Joseph in charge of all the other prisoners and over everything that happened in the prison.

23 The warden had no more worries, because Joseph took care of everything. The Lord was with him and caused everything he did to succeed.

Genesis 40:14 And please remember me and do me a favor when things go well for you. Mention me to Pharaoh, so he might let me out of this place.

15 For I was kidnapped from my homeland, the land of the Hebrews, and now I'm here in prison, but I did nothing to deserve it."

23 Pharaoh's chief cup-bearer, however, forgot all about Joseph, never giving him another thought.

Genesis 41:1 Two full years later, Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing on the bank of the Nile River.

46 He was thirty years old when he began serving in the court of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. And when Joseph left Pharaoh's presence, he inspected the entire land of Egypt.

50 During this time, before the first of the famine years, two sons were born to Joseph and his wife, Asenath, the daughter of Potiphara, the priest of On.

51 Joseph named his older son Manasseh, for he said, "God has made me forget all my troubles and everyone in my father's family."

52 Joseph named his second son Ephraim, for he said, "God has made me fruitful in this land of my grief."

Genesis 45:4 "Please, come closer," he said to them. So they came closer. And he said again, "I am Joseph, your brother, whom you sold into slavery in Egypt.

5 But don't be upset, and don't be angry with yourselves for selling me to this place. It was God who sent me here ahead of you to preserve your lives.

Proverbs 16:9 We can make our plans, but the Lord determines our steps.

Psalms 37:23 The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives.

Will I Keep Being _____ Even When Treated Unfairly

Will I _____ Others Who May Be Involved

God Uses Problems To _____ Him

Moses

Exodus 14:15 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the people to get moving!

16 Pick up your staff and raise your hand over the sea. Divide the water so the Israelites can walk through the middle of the sea on dry ground.

17 And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they will charge in after the Israelites. My great glory will be displayed through Pharaoh and his troops, his chariots, and his charioteers.

18 When my glory is displayed through them, all Egypt will see my glory and know that I am the Lord!"

Exodus 18:8 Moses told his father-in-law about everything the LORD had done to rescue Israel from Pharaoh and the Egyptians. He also told him about the problems they had faced along the way and how the LORD had delivered his people from all their troubles.

9 Jethro was delighted when he heard about all that the LORD had done for Israel as he brought them out of Egypt.

10 "Praise be to the LORD," Jethro said, "for he has saved you from the Egyptians and from Pharaoh. He has rescued Israel from the power of Egypt!

11 I know now that the LORD is greater than all other gods, because his people have escaped from the proud and cruel Egyptians."

Psalms 50:14 Make thankfulness your sacrifice to God, and keep the vows you made to the Most High.

15 Then call on me when you are in trouble, and I will rescue you, and you will give me glory."

Romans 6:13 Do not let any part of your body become a tool of wickedness, to be used for sinning. Instead, give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life. And use your whole body as a tool to do what is right for the glory of God.

2 Corinthians 4:7 We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves.

8 We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed, but not driven to despair.

9 We are hunted down, but never abandoned by God. We get knocked down, but we are not destroyed.

10 Through suffering, our bodies continue to share in the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus may also be seen in our bodies.

15 All of this is for your benefit. And as God's grace reaches more and more people, there will be great thanksgiving, and God will receive more and more glory.

16 That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day.

17 For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!

18 So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.

Will I _____ On Representing God In My Problems

Will I _____ Thank God For What He Is Doing