

Why Does God Allow Evil and Suffering

Tough Questions (part 1)

- P.O.E.= Problem of Evil

There is not just one, but many P.O.E.s

Theological POE: Why is there evil and suffering if God is infinitely powerful and good?

- ⌘ Story of Adam & Eve
- ⌘ Couldn't God have created Adam and Eve in such a way that they could not sin?
- ⌘ If God knew in advance that Adam and Eve would sin, and that evil and suffering would result, was it morally irresponsible for Him to create Adam and Eve in the first place?

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- ⌘ "Is it fair that because Adam sinned, that as a result, we all have inherited his sin (i.e.-original sin)?"
- ⌘ Couldn't God have created people in such a way that we didn't inherit sin?

Natural P.O.E. (vs. Moral P.O.E.)

Personal P.O.E.

- ⌘ Book of Job
- ⌘ God knows that answering the why question only produces _____ questions
- ⌘ Perhaps if God tried to explain the answer to the why question, it would be too _____ for us to _____
- ⌘ What ultimately gives us comforts is not the answers to the _____ question, but the _____ question

Conclusion: Feel free to contact Wayne with more questions about the P.O.E. (wayne@go2hope.org/224-381-6750)