

WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO NOT SO GOOD PEOPLE - Part II

Reference: **miscellaneous Scripture**

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Although trouble is, at minimum, a nuisance and a distraction and at worse, devastating and destructive, trouble can still have positive benefits. It helps us endure those tough times and troubles if we can get a better grip on the possible reason(s) that something bad has happened so we can benefit from it. In part one of this series we learned that:

ONE - Sometimes something bad happens as a direct result from a **wrong action** or **wrong inaction** on our part. These wrong actions and wrong inactions exist as either mistakes or as sins.

TWO - Sometimes something bad happens to convince us to _____ God.

Reference: **II Corinthians 1:8-10, 7:5** (see screen)

Definition: To trust someone means to put our total _____ in that person and then to act consistent with that confidence.

Three reasons we should trust God so that it isn't necessary for God to use bad things to get our attention and to trust Him:

- because _____ both commands and encourages us to trust God
We are to trust God in who He _____ as God (His person) and trust God in what He has _____ as God (His Word).
References: **Psalm 9:10, 25:1-2, 33:20-21, 34:8, 56:3-4, 119:41-42** (see screen)

IMPORTANT: We need to differentiate between trusting God and _____ God.

Reference: **Deuteronomy 6:16** (see screen)

- because there is no other _____
_____ to trust in
Reference: **Psalm 20:7-8; Matthew 25:36** (see screen)

Question: Does purchasing _____ mean we trust a financial institution as an alternative to trusting God?

Reference: **I Timothy 5:8** (see screen)

- because trusting God is sometimes the only means of _____ something bad
Reference: **Psalm 34:4, 6, 17, 19** (see screen)