

## THE BIBLICAL RESPONSE TO SUFFERING AND SICKNESS Part I

Reference: **James 5:13-15**

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In this section James discusses the reaction we are to have to problems and the suffering and hurts those problems cause. In short, our first reaction should be to pray. James mentions three specific times and types of hurts we should pray about.

ONE...if we are hurting in an \_\_\_\_\_ sense  
**verse thirteen**, “*Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray.*”

Reference: **Psalms 18:6** (see screen)

There are four progressive stages to prayer:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

God’s response to our praying can be \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

Reference: **Hebrews 5:8; Philippians 1:29; 1 Peter 5:10** (see screen)

**verse thirteen**, “*...Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms.*”

TWO...if we are hurting in a \_\_\_\_\_ sense  
**verse fourteen**, “*Is anyone among you sick?...*”

There are five biblical laws of sickness:

**Number One** There are two \_\_\_\_\_ of sin.

- **SIN** \_\_\_\_\_ sin or the sin principle is the invisible sin nature that we inherited from our ancient ancestor, Adam.

Reference: **Romans 5:12**, “*Therefore, just as through one man (Adam) sin (original sin) entered the world...*”

- **SINS** \_\_\_\_\_ sins or the sin practice are the individual acts of wrong doing that we commit as a manifestation of our sin nature.

**Number Two** – Original sin introduced \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to the human race.

Reference: **Romans 5:12**, “*Therefore, just as through one man (Adam) sin (original sin) entered the world, and death through sin (original sin) and thus death spread to all men, because all (have) sinned (original sin).*”

Reference: **Romans 6:23**, “*For the wages (consequences) of sin (original sin) is death...*”

**Number Three** – Sometimes there is a \_\_\_\_\_ between personal sins and sickness.  
References: **Psalms 32:3-5** and **Psalms 38:3-7** (see screen)

**Number Four**- Sometimes there is \_\_\_\_\_ **direct connection** between personal sins and sickness.

Reference: **John 9:1-3** (see screen)

**Number Five** – It is not \_\_\_\_\_ that everyone be healed in this life.  
Reference: **Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 2:24** (see screen)