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#### The Argument Against God

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Therefore either \_\_\_\_\_ is not \_\_\_\_\_

or He is not \_\_\_\_\_

#### MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO. . .

- O Trust Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior for the first time
- O Ask God to help me to see His purpose in my pain.
- O Ask God to provide opportunities for me to use the comfort He gives me to comfort others.
- O Memorize Romans 8:28
- O Join us next weekend as we begin a new teaching series looking at the book of Philippians





#### The Bible's Answer

God created the world \_\_\_\_\_\_ - no \_\_\_\_\_\_ Humanity chose \_\_\_\_\_\_ against God As a result, not just humanity, but \_\_\_\_\_\_ was altered All the \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the world will one day be \_\_\_\_\_\_ by God.

## Five Truths We Need To Remember

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"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

"May your unfailing love be my comfort, according to your promise" Psalm 119:76



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If God is God He is not good

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If God was all **powerful** He **could** eliminate evil

If God was all good He would eliminate evil

evil is not eliminated

Therefore either **<u>God</u>** is not **<u>good</u>** 

or He is not God

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Humanity chose **rebellion** against God

As a result, not just humanity,

but nature itself was altered

All the suffering in the world will

one day be <u>eliminated</u> by God.

## Five Truths We Need To Remember

We live in a broken world

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# My life makes a difference

"God comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us." 2 Corinthians 1:4

# H<u>e will set things right</u>

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## Every tragedy can be turned into triumph

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