

Series: Conversation with an Atheist

Theme: Suffering

Scripture: Romans 5:1-5

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- † *Many people struggle with the role that _____ plays in the suffering in the world.*
 - *But have you asked what responsibility _____ bear in the face if it?*

- † *Why does God allow suffering in the world?*
 - *Does God have the capacity to stop it?*
 - *_____!*
 - *So why doesn't he? One word:*
 - *_____!*

- † *The greatest gift God ever gave us is the freedom to _____.*
 - *But with freedom comes _____, which leads to _____.*
 - *People have been making choices that lead to the consequence of suffering from the beginning of time.*

- † *But the good news is God hasn't just left us there;*
 - *We can choose to find _____ in our suffering or we can choose to let it _____ us.*

- † *Romans 5:3... we can choose to glory in tribulation, knowing that tribulation will produce perseverance, and perseverance, character, and character, hope.*

- † *_____ gets to choose...*
 - *You may not get to choose whether you will suffer or not... but you will get to choose how to _____ to it.*