

MORNING SERMON OUTLINE  
*GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY & OUR SUFFERING*

1. **Suffering comes from God in response to sin (review).**
  - a. Human suffering results from human sin (Adam's & ours).
  - b. Particular afflictions are not usually due to particular sins.
  - c. Many sins, however, do bring suffering on us & others.
  - d. In every case God directs us to Jesus – His sufferings & His triumph in resurrection – for our hope for deliverance from sin & woe.
  
2. **Defend God by denying this truth? No!**
  - a. **This truth is VERY upsetting to many people.**
  
  - b. **So let's get God "off the hook"?**
  
  - c. **The God who IS – "I AM WHO I AM"**  
Exodus 3:14
  
  - d. **God tells us who He is.**  
Exodus 4:11  
Isaiah 45:5-7 & 46:9,10
  
  - e. **God is sovereign over all creatures & events.**  
Deuteronomy 33:26, Psalm 147:16-18, Psalm 29:5, Exodus 19&20, Exodus 14, Matthew 10:29,30, Psalm 139:16, Jeremiah 3:37,38, Amos 3:6, Ephesians 1:11, Daniel 4:34,35,
  
3. **Bow & worship the God who is, through faith in Christ**
  - a. **Consider Job**  
Job 1:21,22, 2:10
  
  - b. **Consider the Wisdom of God**  
Romans 11:33-36
  
  - c. **Consider the suffering of Jesus**  
Isaiah 53  
Hebrews 2:18, 4:15,16