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## OUR SUFFERINGS

At midnight on Sunday, February 21st, 1999, we received a call from a Colombian girl, that our son along with 2 others were killed in an auto accident. We couldn't believe it. We both cried out to God asking, "Why? Why, did you let this happen." This brought me to a Sunday school lesson that I provided to the class.

Citing Revelation 21:4:

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Let's think about how the following effects us:

What types of sufferings are there? Physical, mental, mourning, illness, and disease. Is there a healing process to healing, how long? How do we endure sufferings? We live in a fallen world where suffering will follow us until the Lord comes for us. We will all suffer sometime in our lifetime. We live moment by moment and no one knows what the next second will bring. God alone who designed an orderly universe and who created us with minds that can discover how it works. When we think we sometimes are the only ones that are suffering or have suffered. We must look at Jesus and the suffering He had to endure because of man. And we must look at the great men of the Bible who suffered greatly while serving God.

I close with this, in our season of pain, it is comforting to know that eventually, in His awesome presence, we will be whole forever. Amen and Amen.