

God's Purposes For Suffering

"Troubles are often the tools by which God fashions us for better things."

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1. To teach us to listen to God (Psalm 119:71).
2. To show us our frailty (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).
3. To drive out unruliness and bring order to our lives (Jeremiah 31:18).
4. To help us avoid being condemned with the world (1 Peter 4:1-2).
5. To bring fire into our hearts (Malachi 3:2-5).
6. To help us develop perseverance and maturity (James 1:2-4).
7. To help us be victorious (Romans 8:37-39).
8. To help us enter fully into Christ's example (1 Peter 2:19-25).
9. To help us long for a better country (Hebrews 11:13-16).
10. To bring glory to God (John 9:3).

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