



# Where is God When Life Falls Apart

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I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.” **John 16:33 (NLT)**

We live in a \_\_\_\_\_ world

- \_\_\_\_\_ Disasters

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble. <sup>2</sup> So we will not fear when earthquakes come and the mountains crumble into the sea. <sup>3</sup> Let the oceans roar and foam. Let the mountains tremble as the waters surge! Interlude **Psalm 46:1-3 (NLT)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Actions

“The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is? **Jeremiah 17:9 (NLT)**

<sup>21</sup> Yes, they knew God, but they wouldn't worship him as God or even give him thanks. And they began to think up foolish ideas of what God was like. As a result, their minds became dark and confused. <sup>22</sup> Claiming to be wise, they instead became utter fools. <sup>23</sup> And instead of worshiping the glorious, ever-living God, they worshiped idols made to look like mere people and birds and animals and reptiles. <sup>24</sup> So God abandoned them to do whatever shameful things their hearts desired. As a result, they did vile and degrading things with each other's bodies. <sup>25</sup> They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. **Romans 1:21-25 (NLT)**

Three Worlds God Could Have Created

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

“Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live! **Deuteronomy 30:19 (NLT)**

So, Where is God

- He is \_\_\_\_\_

Plan and plot all you want—nothing will come of it. All your talk is mere talk, empty words, Because when all is said and done, the last word is Immanuel — God - With - Us. **Isaiah 8:10 (MSG)**

- He is \_\_\_\_\_ us

So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without his unfolding grace. **2 Corinthians 4:16 (MSG)**

- He is \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

<sup>3</sup> I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, “Look, God's home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. <sup>4</sup> He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.” <sup>5</sup> And the one sitting on the throne said, “Look, I am making everything new!” And then he said to me, “Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true.” **Revelation 21:3-5 (NLT)**

**My Next Step Today Is To...**

- Memorize and/or meditate on 2 Corinthians 4:16
- Give thanks to God for His presence in my broken world.
- Cooperate with God to bring his redemption into my broken world.
- Give my broken self to God asking for him to redeem me.