



A good God in a Cruel World (Luke 12:54-13:9)

Introduction

A Common Question

A Real Issue

A Great Relief



#2 To ignore our own danger

"God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks to us in our consciences, and shouts in our pain. Suffering is God's megaphone to rouse a sleeping world." (C.S. Lewis)

1. We must Read the times

(12:54-59)

a) Just like the weather!

2. We must Repent as time is short

(13:6-9)

a) The right response because there is a world to come

b) A Fallen world

(cf Gen 1-4)

b) The urgent opportunity because there is a judgement to come

2. We must Resist twin temptations

(13:1-5)

#1 To assume victims deserve to suffer

Conclusion

God knows all about suffering

God invites us to come home



The normal way that God speaks to us is in the Bible. Christians should read the Bible and be taught from the Bible regularly. This outline is to help you follow the talk. You may use it to take notes, to note a particularly helpful point, or to raise a question for future discussion.