



# THE GOOD NEWSLETTER

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## Editorial

## THE THIEF ON THE CROSS

**O**n a number of occasions recently, it has come home to me that not only is life short but even more importantly, that when a person accepts the gospel in all its beauty and freedom; if that person should die shortly afterwards, God's plans have still been fulfilled.

I used to believe good works were a must for salvation, but now realise the works God wants of you are those he has prepared in advance for you to do. (Ephesians 2:10)

This is why the Bible has the wonderful story of the thief on the cross. He had no chance to 'bear fruit in every good work' (Colossians 1:10), but Jesus assured him of his salvation and when he died he knew he had a place in the kingdom of God.

In April this year, three Directors of GNU, Bruce Tulloch, Rolf Kempf and myself attended a men's breakfast at the Burleigh Heads Church of Christ. The guest speaker was Dr. Francis Song of Brisbane. He gave a dramatic testimony of how he became a Christian and later how God used him to preach the gospel to the crowds in Tiananmen Square, on that fateful fourth of June in 1989.

Dr. Song was led of God to go to Beijing to a medical conference, in his capacity as Director of Nursing at the Prince Andrews Hospital, Brisbane. The day after his arrival he was impressed to go to Tiananmen Square, not knowing why. He had previously worked as a journalist, and on arrival, freely mixed with the students who were

protesting for their freedom. He was asked was he free, and he said, 'Yes, I have my freedom.' He explained to a group of eager listeners that he already had his freedom through his faith in Jesus Christ. They had never heard of Jesus and thought he was a human rights worker in Australia, so they pleaded for Jesus' address. Dr. Song then realised that God wanted him to begin preaching as to who Jesus is and how he can save you from your sins and set you free. Over a period of thirteen hours—from ten in the morning to eleven at night—he moved through the crowds preaching and testifying to them of Jesus and his saving grace.

He found a garbage can, turned it upside down, and stood on it to address the people. Then he would move to another part of that great square and address another part of the vast throng, estimated to be in the order of a million people. In the time he spent preaching, a huge number repented and accepted Jesus, asking Dr. Song to pray for them a prayer of acceptance.

Dr. Song was right in the middle of the shooting when it broke out and saw the young people dropping in their hundreds as the machine guns blazed away. When the shooting stopped, Dr. Song and many others tried to assist the injured and dying, whilst doing so, he recognised the faces of many who, only hours before had accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

It is a miraculous story of Dr. Song's survival and ultimate testimony of what happened. As we all

sat sadly and silently listening to this amazing story, the truth of the certainty of the words of John 1:12 hit home, 'But as many as received Him, to them he gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in his name.' These words are as true today as the day they were written.

Many of us use the story of the thief on the cross in a dispassionate way just to prove a theological point. But for the poor man hanging there in that scene of vile degradation, Christ's words assuring of eternal life, were no doubt a great joy to him in his death.

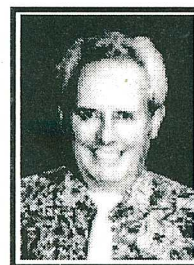
Similarly, in the hours before the horror and degradation of Tiananmen Square, with its terrible scenes of death in 1989, God had a servant there preaching the gospel and calling on the people to repent. Many did, and like the thief on the cross, they too will be with him in paradise.

Let us give praise and thanks to our God who never leaves us or forsakes us, but is ever leading us to do his will while the reign of sin on this earth lasts. For we too have the assurance that we will be with him in paradise.

May God speed the day.

(An audio cassette of Dr. Song's talk is available through GNU.)

Roger Jones  
Editor





## Dear Friend

There was a time—perhaps several hundred years ago—when God was the immediate reference point in the face of danger or difficulty. But the world has changed. Man is now the master of his environment and his destiny. God is a lingering tradition, something akin to Santa Claus; but far removed from the real issues of life. In short, God doesn't really count anymore.



An old Danish fable tells of a spider that came down from the roof of a barn on a strong filament of web. He established himself on a lower level and spread his web to catch flies—he prospered. One day he was inspecting his domain when he came across the original thread on which he had descended. Thinking that it was no use to him anymore, he snapped it. Immediately his whole web sank to the ground and he was soon trodden under foot.

Perhaps the cause of the curse that looms over the modern world has something to do with God no longer being considered relevant. The most sinister and terrifying thing about society today is, that it is organised around man and not God. The thought that God rules, makes life safe and meaningful. For this reason the Bible is a wonderfully practical book, because it promotes such ideas. Its first words are: 'In the beginning God ...' The Bible is not a text book of science, but when it speaks of things scientists study, it tells that God made them and that he owns them. There is poetry, drama, biography; prophecy and parable in scripture and all combine to testify that God matters. There is also history, and sometimes the writer is less concerned for accuracy, than for his desire to show that God is everything.

If God does not matter, then man is reduced to being just a clever animal. A vital relationship exists between a living organism and its relevant environment. If ears hear no sound, they are redundant. If eyes have no light, they go blind. If lungs are denied air, they collapse. And the human spirit with no relationship to God is madness: 'For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him. But their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.' (Romans 1:21)

Toynbee, the great historian, said, 'The entire history of man has no meaning at all except a religious meaning. There is no hope, except in the vast increase of spiritual religion.'

An American airman was shot down in the Pacific. He survived and made his way to an island. Thoughts of being speared or boiled alive plagued him as he crept into the jungle. Eventually he was found by natives. They cared for him and nursed him back to health. The inhabitants of the island had once been cannibals. They had practised witchcraft and all kinds of abominations. They lived in filth and disease.

The airman, upon recovery, spoke to the chief who told him that there had not been a murder on the island in his lifetime. There was no jail, poverty, drunkenness; no divorce and no brothels. There was a doctor, but he spent most of his time fishing. The airman asked the chief how he accounted for such a transformation. 'You ought to know,' replied the chief. 'Your ancestors sent us missionaries. We are Christians. We take Jesus seriously.'

It is time for the whole world to take Jesus seriously. Perhaps you and I can contribute to a better world by taking Jesus ever so seriously ourselves.

May God hold us together in his love as we follow Jesus' leading.

Yours in Jesus



Ron J Allen





## Proverbs 10:28 'The hope of good men is eternal happiness'

Eternity is reality!

The apostle Paul reminded the early Church that the things which we can see are temporary and the things we cannot see are eternal. That is profoundly simple. If I can see it, it is temporary. So much of the way we are motivated in business is by what we can see. Oh the agony and the ecstasy of quotas and earnings statements! If we are not careful, we begin to believe that we are our performance. Our identity is justified by our performance.

Perhaps it would not be appropriate, but wouldn't it be great to hear an executive talk to us about the types of persons we could become, rather than just talking about the contests we could win? There is a 'President's Club' which is eternal.

I am amazed at the wonderful trips and rewards companies create for their top sales performers. However, when we are on the fence for those awards, we are often tempted to trade our integrity for the trip. The club we need to shoot for is the

'King's Club' in which we will receive an eternal paradise, rather than a week in paradise. Each of us needs to keep asking ourselves that great question Jesus asked, 'What good is it to gain the whole world, if you lose your soul?'

Several years ago I was being recruited intensely by a young company. The owner of the company drove me in his Mercedes 560SL convertible to his million dollar home. As I was unloading my things in the guest room, I heard that question in my mind as clearly as if someone was speaking audibly. I do not believe God was telling me not to take the job, but he was warning me how easily I could lose my perspective. In many ways through the years, I have made that foolish trade, but it has never brought me satisfaction or pride. The challenge we are all facing in our careers, is to work with diligence and dedication while maintaining our personal commitment to following Jesus.

We must constantly remind ourselves, that ultimately, happiness comes from those things we cannot see such as faith, hope and love. We must constantly remind ourselves that our unseen goals such as integrity, joy and satisfaction cannot be pro-

duced by things which can be seen. We must constantly remind ourselves to define ourselves by the eternal traits of our personalities, rather than the quality of our possessions. Jesus told us that the quality of our lives is not determined by the quantity of our possessions.

One of the reasons we get burned out in business, is because we are constantly chasing after 'Mr and Ms More'. Companies set goals and then raise the bar the following year. Individuals set compensation goals and determine to purchase a certain type of car, home or boat—only to raise the bar for themselves the following year. Eventually we burn out. As I am writing today, my skin is more yellow than usual from my liver disease. I am reminded that I am temporarily living in this body. My health could go at any time, and my opportunity to keep shooting for more could be taken away. Those eternal things in my life cannot be taken—they only grow brighter with death.

I hope all of us make 'President's Club' this year, but I hope much more that eternity finds we all made 'King's Club.'

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Mike Nelson

## Profile

At church camp meetings in Adelaide in the thirties, Ron and Frances Were met. Frances was ten at the time of their first meeting and very new to the church. Ron, on the other hand, was born into a family that attended church regularly. She envied Ron and the other children like him, feeling sure they must already have one foot in heaven's door!

Their next meeting was when Frances was about eighteen. They met at the Evangelical crusade conducted in the Adelaide Town Hall. For the young people, this was the big 'social event' of the year. The lads went to look the lasses over and the lasses pretended not to notice.

Ron and Frances Were, married in April 1938 on Frances' twenty first birthday. (The church they were married in had been built by Ron, as his father—who was a builder.) Ron made it clear to Frances that he wasn't interested in children or dogs. Frances made it clear there would be no nonsense such as the word 'obey' in the marriage vows. 'Cherish', yes. 'Obey', no way! Fifty nine years of glorious in-

compatibility followed, and for a man not interested in children and dogs, Ron hasn't fared too well. Ron and Frances have four



beautiful daughters, (consequently, sons-in-law) fourteen grandchildren, and almost eleven great-grandchildren. They also raised and adopted a small Aboriginal son and raised an aboriginal girl who was born with Cerebral Palsy. Sadly, their adopted son (who was always their loveable scamp) died last year of cancer. Their comfort is that they were able to assure him that when he asked forgiveness, through Jesus, his sins were forgiven and forgotten, and that they would see him again when Jesus comes. Other foster children came into

their home for short term accommodation.

As for dogs—at the last count they have had nine, and now have a tiny Tenterfield Terrier, Pixie. Ron says that since Pixie arrived 'life will never be the same again.'—as she has set about completing their education.

Ron and Frances say that the most 'important and main thing' in their fifty nine years together, is that they have been completely compatible in the most important area of life on this planet—the area of spirituality. Frances says, 'When the Gospel came to us, via Dr Ford and *Good News Unlimited* it was like a shaft of sunlight for both of us. We give thanks every day that through the Holy Spirit, Dr Ford and the Good News team, we now understand spiritual truths we had not understood before. We live life 'more abundantly through Jesus Christ. We have been twice blessed in having a close involvement with the Good News seminars through the years in South Australia—so again we give thanks, and ask that God bless this work.'



# Daniel & the Coming King

Dr Desmond Ford

*Dr. Ford answered these questions from a bright group on a sunny Saturday afternoon. The session was in Alderson Hall, Auburn, California, during Summer Congress.*

**Q. In Daniel 7 it appears that 'judgement is mentioned three times. I'm unclear as to the type and time of each judgement.**

**A.** You are wise to be unclear! That's because the references in Daniel 7 are a kaleidoscoping of the judgements of the Second Advent and the Third Advent. Daniel 7 also implies the judgement of the cross. Looking forward to the cross, Jesus said, 'Now is the time for judgement on this world' (John 12:30). All the sin (and sins) of all people were on the head of our representative, Jesus, on Calvary's cross. Then the whole world was judged—and in Christ, the whole world was acquitted. That is why the good news of the Gospel is not that if you do this or do that, maybe/ perhaps, God will forgive you. The good news of the gospel is, 'God forgave you two thousand years ago! Accept that you are accepted. The final vote is with you.' Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men. (Romans 5:18) That 'one act of righteousness' was Christ's atonement. And it has brought acquittal for all humanity. Legally, all people have been justified, because all people were judged in Jesus. All your sins were judged in Jesus. If you have accepted Christ and his cross, you are free of all your sins and guilt. They're gone! The judgements in Daniel seven, kaleidoscope the cross; the Second Coming and even the Third Coming (after the millennium). The Old testament has to work like that, as it predicts these events. It's not surprising you have problems sorting them out.

**Q. What was the 'daily'? Does the daily in Daniel 12:11 have anything to do with the daily in Daniel 8?**

**A.** Yes it is the same symbol. The 'daily' meant the daily sacrifices, the daily offerings and services, morning and evening. There was a daily lamb in the morning, and a daily lamb in the evening. Daniel's prophecy about the taking away of the daily meant that the offering of the daily sacrifices was stopped by Antichrist. First of all, that Antichrist was Antiochus Epiphanes, and later the Romans when they destroyed the temple in Jerusalem in A D 70. Later still, in the Middle Ages, it was the union of church and state that martyred millions of God's people. It took away from the people the gospel prefigured by the daily sacrifices. In the Christian age, taking away the daily means all those who take away the significance of Calvary. That's how the daily is taken away now. By making religion man-centered, we take away the significance of the cross. The most common religious mistake is this: 'I have to be good enough before God will accept me.' That is one way we can take away the daily. That is opposite of the Gospel. The gospel says 'Though I am not good, I can come just as I am, infirmities, weaknesses, addictions—warts and all! The gospel says that because of Christ I can come just as I am. God loves us that much. God loves us so much, he accepts us just as we are. But he loves us too much to leave us just as we are.' So, the 'daily' was originally the morning and evening offerings. That's why when Daniel writes 'Unto 2,300 days' (Daniel 8:14 KJV) he was saying two thousand three hundred evenings, mornings or two thousand three hundred offerings would give us one thousand one hundred and fifty days, just as some modern English translators say (see the TEV, for example)

**Q. Why do some Bible teachers say the King James Version is correct**

**and all other versions are incorrect?**

**A.** Because they are ignorant. Don't misunderstand me! I love the KJV. I often quote memorised passages from the KJV. It is the greatest English version in the literary sense. But it is not the greatest English version in the sense of manuscript accuracy. The KJV translators did the finest job possible with the Hebrew and Greek manuscripts they had. But some of the finest biblical manuscripts have been discovered only in the 300 years since the KJV translation was completed. The KJV translators were saints. The KJV is a wonderful version. It is, of course, perfectly adequate for salvation. But the claim that its translation of the Bible manuscripts is superior to all others is just plain false.

**Q. In one Bible version, Roman 4:7 reads: 'Whose sins are blotted out.' In most other versions, it reads: 'Whose sins are covered.' Why?**

**A.** The Hebrew word 'caphar' meant 'to cover, so as to blot out.' It's a metaphor, based on a literal action. So both translations are correct.

**Q. In Romans 1:17 'Whoever by faith is justified shall gain life.' (A slight paraphrase.) Other versions are: 'The just shall live by faith.'**

**A.** Probably the correct rendering of Romans 1:17 is that 'He who through faith is righteous, shall live.' I say that because while there are different renderings of the Greek words in the verse, the sequence of the chapters in Romans follows this rendition. So it would make sense that at the outset of his book, Paul would write a key phrase, then build his following chapters on that phrase, following the same sequence of the phrase. Chapters one through five of Romans deals with 'He who through faith is righteous.' The rest of the chapters in Romans deal with how you will live if you are righteous. So 'He through faith is righteous shall live' is probably the correct trans-



lation of Romans 1:17. That's the way many recent commentators and some recent Bible translations now give it.

**Q. It has been said that we need God's forgiving grace for what we are as much as for what we do. What verse of scripture sustains this?**

A. Scripture says God requires truth in the inward parts (Psalm 51:6). In other words, I am meant to be irradiated, permeated, controlled and possessed by truth. If it's in the *inward* parts, that means more than just action. That is more than just words. That means what I *am*. God requires truth in what I am—in my nature. The worst thing about us is not what we've done, though that's bad enough. It's what we are. We are *sinners*. We have a sinful human *nature*. (See Luke 6:45)

**Q. 1 Corinthians 15:27-28 seem to indicate God will finally stand over Christ.**

A. Yes, it does: for he 'has put everything under his feet.' Now when it says that 'everything' has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all. (1 Corinthians 15:27-28 NIV) Remember, 'God so loved the world he gave his one and only Son' (John 3:16). God did not lend him. God didn't lend Jesus to us for thirty three years and then take him back to where he was before. Christ forever retains his human nature. Now that is sacrifice! Deity will ever be visible in the finite form of humanity. That is the sacrifice of God. Father and the Son—that is the sacrifice. Because Christ has come, from eternity, the Mediator for a lost world, he will retain a *position* below the Father. Obviously, he continues to be equal to the Father in nature.

**Q. Please explain briefly the Trinity.**

A. Briefly? You must be teasing. Here is the briefest statement I know: To himself, God is three, in himself, God is one. As seen and known, God is three. As seeing and knowing, God is one.

**Q. What true tabernacle did the Lord set up in heaven? (Hebrews 8:2)**

A. The author of Hebrews is referring to the fact that Christ, after he completed his atonement, began his intercessory ministry. This ministry takes place at the very heart of the universe—in heaven.

**Q. Do you think hell is literal or metaphorical?**

A. Literal. There will be a literal hell, but it will be temporary. The fires of God will consume this old world and all who have made it their home. Only those who are nostalgic for heaven are going to miss that fire. But that fire won't last long. It will do its effective work and then cease. But while it is doing that work, it cannot be quenched.

**Q. Did the seventy weeks prophecy of Daniel 9:24-27 provide that the Messiah would come in about five hundred years?**

A. Yes, it clearly says so.

**Q. If so, does this prophecy prove the year-day principle of prophetic interpretation?**

A. No. The year-day principle was never thought of until after A D 1000, when a Roman Catholic scholar came up with the idea. Most English translations of the Bible read 'seventy weeks of years' (v.24) or 'seventy sevens'.

**Q. I have heard that there is no zero year between BC and AD. How would the zero year work? Is there a year missing between the two millennia BC and AD? How is the zero year handled?**

A. In summary, I can only say this: Such a question is only of significance when you are making calculations of time periods that span from one era to another. No year has been lost. It's simply a matter of how you attach numbers to years. If you forget this fact, you make mistakes when you establish dates from prophetic time periods. That's the only principle I can give you in a short time.

**Q. Do you believe the 'mark of the beast' (Rev. 13:16-17) is just a spiritual mark? Or is it an actual physi-**

**cal mark? Or perhaps both?**

A. No, it's not a physical mark. That's because the book of Revelation is a book of signs and symbols.

There are obvious examples of this. We see a pregnant woman running through heaven (12:1-2). A great red dragon in heaven (12:3). A woman who spreads over seven mountains (17:9). The old joke is that she was a woman of some area! These are clearly all symbols, not to be taken literally. And the 'mark of the beast' is also a symbol.

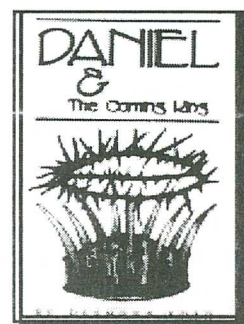
**Q. What do you mean when you say, 'Let God be God'? If we are all by nature, idolaters, how do we do this?**

A. To let God be God, means to want to please God more than to please yourself. Therefore, our first duty is to come to know God's will about every practical thing—then doing it.

**Q. Please explain Daniel 8:14 and 9:24.**

A. That's a bit much to do in one session! In essence, Daniel 8:14 says that after two thousand three hundred offerings had been suspended in the days of Antiochus Epiphanes, the sanctuary would start functioning again. This in turn became a symbol of the time when all sin would be finished and the universe would be made clean. John 10:22 speaks of Jesus being in Jerusalem for the feast of dedication (Hanukkah). This feast celebrated the original application of Daniel 8:14, when the sanctuary was liberated, or cleansed, by the valiant Maccabees. In his book of Revelation, John explains the final (or universal) application of Daniel 8:14. Here, the whole universe is cleansed of sin.

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## From The Chairman

It was very gratifying at the recent GNU Board Meeting to hear of the continued support by the GNU members. The success of our special projects is due to many faithful people who continue to support this gospel ministry with their funds. Indeed, the financial support of GNU has taken an upward turn over the past twelve months and we look forward to further expansion in our gospel work. Not only has there been good support financially, but the interest in the seminars and other GNU services has also grown. For these things we thank you all, as we endeavor to work on behalf of the Master and yourselves. We are hopeful that funds will allow us to expand our ministry into greater pastoral component in the near future, and we hope for your support in this matter. It is our belief that there is a genuine need to be met in the community by personal ministry—a method used successfully by Jesus on many occasions. As always we are open to your ideas and much in need of your prayers. Please consider carefully this precious work and may God be with you all.



Clem Moss

## Letters

Dear Friends at Good News

Christian greetings and God's blessings to you all as you spread the gospel.

Would you please send me the set of cassette tapes *Daniel & the Coming King*.

We very much enjoyed this series with Dr Ford and Pastor Ron. We have been replaying the tapes we bought at the meetings. Now, I have passed these on to our son who wants some fresh perspective on the book of Daniel, to share with his Bible class. So may we please have another set for ourselves. Enclosed money for the tapes—the surplus to your Special Projects. With thanks and Christian love.

L. E. W. NSW

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I am enclosing a donation to place in any part of your Christian work that is in need. It is a thankyou donation in appreciation for all the gospel tapes and literature I have received over the years. I pray that your outreach may go from strength to strength. God bless you all. Christian regards

S. W. QLD

Mr Ron Allen

I have recently read a few of Good News Unlimited magazines and listened to tapes, through a friend on Holiday from Canada. I find Dr. Desmond Ford's ministry very edifying and a blessing to

whoever hears or reads his spirit filled works. I would like to subscribe to *Good News Unlimited* magazine. Could you kindly send me a catalogue of all literature, audio tapes and video tapes. Thanking you and God Bless.

P. J. B. Vic.

Dear GNU

Could you please send my mother, who's address is on the other side, your most valuable Newsletter. She is a Christian who lives in New Zealand. She was over here and attended your Melbourne seminar and was greatly blessed by it. Thank you!!

Both Des and Ron have a way that presents the Good News unhindered by any unnecessary rubbish. I also feel blessed by their delivery of God's message.

B. J. Vic.

Dear GNU

I am very pleased to have found GNU. Your books and articles give me a good insight into many things, and are exactly what I have been searching for.

A. A. C. B. Tas.

GNU USA

Dear Friends at GNU

This is to thank you ever so much once again for the three packages that we have received intact. The clothing from the packages proved to be very useful for us again. We would like to wish all friends at GNU good health and God's blessing.

E. N. and family, Chorzow, Poland.



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### Dr Desmond Ford

& Pr Ron Allen

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Thornleigh.



Facts about Acts

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## THE GREAT DEBATE

Dr Desmond Ford  
&  
Dr Clifford Anderson  
Recorded at Crossroads  
Christian Fellowship USA  
15 May '97

Dr Desmond Ford gives four reasons why we can be sure that God exists. Dr Clifford Anderson, professor of philosophy at CSUS University, argues for the non-existence of God. This well publicised public debate was adjudicated by Pastor Roy Gee.

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1. Archiving our audios
2. R Allen & D Ford books
- 3 New office equipment

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- \*Radio Rhema (Toowoomba)
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- \*Ballarat Gospel Radio (Ballarat)

We have provided sixty second spot messages also fifteen minute items

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Saturday September 6 the band will be at the Seventh Day Adventist Church Fox Valley Rd., Wahroonga, Sydney, in the Activities Centre attached to the church. Commencement time will be 11am.

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## Book Review by Ron Allen

Where is God When it Hurts? 292 pp. Harper paperbacks

Written by Philip Yancey

Here is what some readers have said about this book:

'I know firsthand that pain and paralysis seem to push away the presence of God. To ask "Where is God when it hurts?" is honest; reasonable even. Thank the Lord Philip puts our questions into perspective, helping us find out exactly where God really is when we hurt.' (Joni Eareckson, Tada.)

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