Why So Much Suffering?

How can a God of love allow it?
“So the servants of the owner came and said to him, ‘Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field?’
MATTHEW 13:27

How then does it have tares?””
MATTHEW 13:37

“He answered and said to them: ‘He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man . . .’”
Matthew 13:38

"The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one."
MATTHEW 13:39

“The enemy who sowed them is the devil.”
Act of God

Act of the Devil
THE Revelation of Jesus Christ,

which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John.

John 3:32 • Rev. 22:6

9 I, John, both your brother companion in the tribulation and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called the Euphrates.

10 "I was in the Spirit on Day, and I heard a voice, as of a trumpet, saying, "11 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the beginning and the end."
“And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought,
but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer.”
REVELATION 12:9

“So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world;
REVELATION 12:9

he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”
“And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns,
and seven diadems on his heads.”
"His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth..."
“...Thus says the Lord God: ‘You were the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.’”
“You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone was your covering...”
“You were the anointed cherub who covers ... you were on the holy mountain of God;
EZEKIEL 28:14

You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones.”
“You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you.”
“Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor...”
“How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground...”
“For you have said in your heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God . . .’”
 Isaac A:14

"... I will be like the Most High."

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

2 Ch 26:32

7 Your country is desolate, Your cities are burned with fire; Strangers devour your land. 
And it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers. 
So the daughter of Zion is left as a booth in a vineyard, 
As a hut in a garden of cucumbers. 

"As a besieged city, 
Unless the Lorp of hosts had left to us a posteriori, 
Had left to us a posteriori, 
He would have delivered us into the hand of enemy, 
He would have led us into captivity."

The Book of ISAIAH
why earth?
1 CORINTHIANS 4:9

“...a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men.”
GENESIS 2:16

“. . . Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat;
but of the tree of knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”
“Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.”
Ephesians 6:12

“For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers,
against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.”
...Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’”
GENESIS 3:2

“. . . We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden.”
GENESIS 3:3

But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden,
GENESIS 3:3

God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’”
GENESIS 3:4

“Then the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not surely die.’”
“For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”
GENESIS 3:6

“So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes,”
Genesis 3:6

and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate . . ."
Genesis 3:10

"...I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."
GENESIS 3:11

“...Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?”
GENESIS 3:12

“... The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree and I ate.”
GENESIS 3:13

“...The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”
“So all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years; and he died.”
JOHN 8:44

“...a liar and the father of it.”
Who is responsible?
"So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound . . . for eighteen years,
Luke 13:16

be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?"
there was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and he was blameless and upright, a man who feared God and turned away from evil.

Ezek. 14:20 • [Prov. 16:6]

And seven sons and three daughters were born to him. Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very great household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the land.

Ltt. sons

And his sons would go and feast on their appointed feasts, each on his appointed day, and they would send and invite their three brethren to eat with them.

And this was a custom in the land: when the seven days of feasting were completed, they would send and invite their three brethren to come and spend the seven days with them also.

He said to his sons: "Have you not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? "You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. [Prov. 10:22]

11 But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!"

12 And the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your hand; only do not touch him!"

So Satan answered the Lord and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing?"
“And the LORD said to Satan, ‘From where do you come?’”
...From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it.”
Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth,
JOB 1:8

a blameless and upright man one who fears God and shuns evil?”
“So Satan answered the LORD and said, ‘Does Job fear God for nothing?’”
“But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!”
JOBS 1:12

“And the LORD said to Satan, ‘Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person.’
JOB 1:12

So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.”
“... The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord.”
JOB 2:4

“. . . Yes, all that a man has he will give for his life.”
“But stretch out Your hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will surely curse You to Your face!”

JOB 2:5
“And the Lord said to Satan, ‘Behold, he is in your hand, but spare his life.’”
JOE 2:7

“So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD,”
and struck Job with painful boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.”
“In all of this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong.”
Who Hurt Job?

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4. The Lord may allow difficulties to come and test our loyalty and love,
Who Hurt Job?

but Satan is the guilty one responsible for all the evil on Planet Earth!
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9 I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.

10 I was in the Spirit on the Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice saying, "Who is like God?"

11 And I heard a loud voice saying among the living beings, "Who is like God?"

12 And I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And on turning I saw seven golden lampstands; and in the middle of the four living beings, and seven golden lampstands.

13 And I said to one of the living beings, "Who are these, my Lord?" He answered me, "These are the angels of the churches of the living beings, the seven lampstands are seven churches."
“Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea!
For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.”
1 Peter 5:8

"Be sober, be vigilant: because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, 
1 Peter 5:8

seeking whom he may devour.”
“Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same,
that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil.”
Acts of the Devil
EZEKIEL 28:16

“...I destroyed you, O covering cherub...”
EZEKIEL 28:18

“...Therefore I brought fire from your midst;
EZEKIEL 28:18

It devoured you, and I turned you to ashes upon the earth . . .”
Whose Side are we on?
MATTHEW 11:28

“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”
John 6:37

"... the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out."