



One often hears "I know what you are going thru" from friends, family or coworkers when they are suffering. Those friends, family and coworkers are well meaning but most are dead wrong. They don't know what you are going thru and will never know what you are going thru until they have walked in your shoes and have been burnt by the fire that has seared you.

There is one person that can understand what you are going thru and where you have come from and that is Jesus. Jesus has had every single bad event in your life happen to him and then a whole lot more. He's been in your shoes, He's run your race, He's been flat on the ground and had to have someone carry his burden. Jesus has come to know exactly what you are going thru by all the trials and tribulations that He went thru and overcame.

Below covers just some of the trials that faced Jesus.

I and the Father are one (Jn10:30) signifies that anything in the bible that is injuring God either in the Old Testament or the New Testament is injuring Jesus.

Family struggles

- As a groom, Jesus knows the feelings of first love, the burning desire - the entire theme of the Song of Solomon book
- Had children who wouldn't listen Is65:12, Jer4:22, Jer7:24-25
- Was angry with His people Is47:6
- Had a family who didn't support or believe in Him Jn7:3-5, Mk3:31-35
- As a husband, Jesus knows how it feels to be rejected, ignored. To love a wife who doesn't love you back and as a divorced husband who finally had enough and kicks His spouse out of the house Hos9:15, Jer3:8, Is50:1, Jer32:330-33
- Has had His Father walk out on Him at a crucial moment when Jesus needed Him the most Mt27:46

RSV Isaiah 65:12 I will destine you to the sword, and all of you shall bow down to the slaughter; because, when I called, you did not answer, **when I spoke, you did not listen, but you did what was evil in my eyes, and chose what I did not delight in.**"

RSV Jeremiah 4:22 **"For my people are foolish, they know me not; they are stupid children, they have no understanding.** They are skilled in doing evil, but how to do good they know not."

RSV Isaiah 47:6 **I was angry with my people, I profaned my heritage;** I gave them into your hand, you showed them no mercy; on the aged you made your yoke exceedingly heavy.

RSV John 7:3-5

- 3 So his brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, that your disciples may see the works you are doing.
- 4 For no man works in secret if he seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, show yourself to the world."
- 5 **For even his brothers did not believe in him.**

RSV Mark 3:31-35

- 31 And **his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside** they sent to him and called him.
- 32 And a crowd was sitting about him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, asking for you."
- 33 And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?"
- 34 And looking around on those who sat about him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!
- 35 **Whoever does the will of God is my brother, and sister, and mother."**

RSV Hosea 9:15 Every evil of theirs is in Gilgal; there I began to hate them. **Because of the wickedness of their deeds I will drive them out of my house. I will love them no more;** all their princes are rebels.

RSV Jeremiah 3:8 She saw that for all the adulteries of that faithless one, Israel, **I had sent her away with a decree of divorce;** yet her false sister Judah did not fear, but she too went and played the harlot.

RSV Jeremiah 32:30-33

30 **For the sons of Israel and the sons of Judah have done nothing but evil in my sight from their youth;** the sons of Israel have done nothing but provoke me to anger by the work of their hands, says the Lord.

31 This city has **aroused my anger and wrath,** from the day it was built to this day, so that I will remove it from my sight

32 because of all the evil of the sons of Israel and the sons of Judah which they did to provoke me to anger--their kings and their princes, their priests and their prophets, the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

33 **They have turned to me their back and not their face; and though I have taught them persistently they have not listened to receive instruction.**

RSV Matthew 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lama sabach-thani?" that is, "My God, my God, **why hast thou forsaken me?"**

Family member (Mt12:49-50) deaths

- Loss of children Mt2:16

- The pain and agony and loss seeing your only son die a tortuous death Mt27:28-31, Is50:6, Ps22:14-15

- The agony of waiting 3 days (1 day = 1000 years) to hear about His Son's condition. Mt12:40, 2Pt3:8

- As a Father helpless to save His Son from a gang of murderous thugs Mt27:20-24

- Jesus has seen the thugs come after His family Acts8:1-3

- Loss of a Father - Joseph

Jesus grew up without a father sometime after 12 yrs old. Jesus was obedient to Joseph, you can be assured Jesus loved his father Joseph and Joseph likewise loved Jesus. No matter how Joseph died, Jesus felt a deep pain of loss for his father especially if Joseph died for Jesus. One possible insight to Joseph is looking at John the Baptist father's, Zechariah, death. Mt23:35 mentions the location where Zechariah was murdered but why Zechariah was murdered is not explained and is a mystery.

One possible explanation is found in the apocryphal book called the Protevangelion. Much of the book in my opinion is false however it does describe the death of Zechariah in more detail. If this portion of the book is truthful then it does record the reason why Zechariah was murdered and one could reasonably argue that Joseph met a similar death in protecting Jesus sometime after Jesus visited Jerusalem when He was 12 years old (Lk2:41-43).

[Origen](#) suggested that the [Zechariah](#) mentioned in [Matthew 23:35](#) as having been killed between the temple and the altar may be the father of John the Baptist.^[1] Orthodox [Christian tradition](#) recounts that, at the time of the [massacre of the Innocents](#), when King [Herod](#) ordered the slaughter of all males under the age of two in an attempt to prevent the prophesied Messiah from coming to Israel, Zechariah refused to divulge the whereabouts of his son (who was in hiding), and he was therefore murdered by Herod's soldiers. This is also recorded in the [Infancy Gospel of James](#), an [apocryphal](#) work from the 2nd century.

1. [^] Reimund Bieringer, *The Corinthian Correspondence* (Peeters Publishers, 1996), page 497, footnote 20.

Pasted from <[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zechariah_\(priest\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zechariah_(priest))>

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9 But **Herod made search after John, and sent servants to Zacharias,** when he was (ministering) at the altar, and said unto him, **Were hast thou hid thy son?**

10 He replied, to them, **I am a minister of God, and a servant at the altar: how should I know where my son is?**

11 So the servants went back, and told Herod the whole; at which he was incensed, and said, Is not this son of his like to be king of Israel?

12 He sent therefore again his servants to Zacharias, saying, Tell us the truth, where is thy son, for you know

that your life is in my hand.

13 So the servants went and told him all this:

14 But Zacharias replied to them, I am a martyr for God, and if ye skied my blood, the Lord will receive my soul.

15 Besides know that ye shed innocent blood.

16 However **Zacharias was murdered in the entrance of the temple said altar, and about the partition;**

RSV Matthew 2:16

16 Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, was in a furious rage, and he sent and **killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under,** according to the time which he had ascertained from the wise men.

RSV Matthew 27:28-31

28 And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe upon him,

29 and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on his head, and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him **they mocked him,** saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

30 And **they spat upon him,** and took the reed and **struck him on the head.**

31 And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe, and put his own clothes on him, and led him away to crucify him.

RSV Isaiah 50:6 I gave **my back to the smiters,** and my cheeks to those who **pulled out the beard;** I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

RSV Psalms 22:14-15

14 I am poured out like water, and **all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax, it is melted within my breast;**

15 **my strength is dried up** like a potsherd, and **my tongue cleaves to my jaws;** thou dost lay me in the dust of death.

RSV Matthew 12:40 For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so will the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

RSV 2 Peter 3:8 But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord **one day is as a thousand years,** and a thousand years as one day.

RSV Matthew 27:20-24

20 Now the **chief priests and the elders persuaded the people** to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus.

21 The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas."

22 Pilate said to them, **"Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified."**

23 And he said, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified."

24 So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves."

RSV Acts 8:1-3

1 AND SAUL was consenting to his death. And on that day **a great persecution arose against the church** in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the region of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

2 Devout men buried Stephen, and made great lamentation over him.

3 But Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison.

Friends (Jn15:14)

- Jesus had His closest friend stab Him in the back out in front of everyone Lk22:47-48

- Jesus has seen His friends get tortured and die for Him Acts12:1-2, Jn15:13-14

RSV Luke 22:47-48

47 While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him;

48 but Jesus said to him, **"Judas, would you betray the Son of man with a kiss?"**

RSV Acts 12:1-2

1 ABOUT THAT time Herod the king laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church.

2 **He killed James** the brother of John with the sword;



Emotions

-Was an outcast and rejected by the people Is53:3

RSV Isaiah 53:3 **He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;** and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Government

- voted out of office, rejected at the polls 1Sam8:7

-Seen kingdom rise David 1Chron29:28-30, Solomon 2Chron9:22,26

-Seen civil war and a divided country Rehoboam 1Kg12:16,20

-Seen His country invaded, occupied and people exiled - books of Judges, Kings and Chronicles

RSV 1 Samuel 8:7 And the Lord said to Samuel, "Hearken to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them."

RSV 1 Chronicles 29:28-30

28 Then he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honor; and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.

29 Now the acts of King David, from first to last, are written in the Chronicles of Samuel the seer, and in the Chronicles of Nathan the prophet, and in the Chronicles of Gad the seer,

30 with accounts of all his rule and his might and of the circumstances that came upon him and upon Israel, and upon all the kingdoms of the countries.

RSV 2 Chronicles 9:22 Thus King Solomon excelled all the kings of the earth in riches and in wisdom.

RSV 2 Chronicles 9:26 And he ruled over all the kings from the Euphrates to the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt.

RSV 1 Kings 12:16 And when all Israel saw that the king did not hearken to them, the people answered the king, "What portion have we in David? We have no inheritance in the son of Jesse. To your tents, O Israel! Look now to your own house, David." So Israel departed to their tents.

RSV 1 Kings 12:20 And when all Israel heard that Jeroboam had returned, they sent and called him to the assembly and made him king over all Israel. There was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.

Legal system



- Seen judges bowing to political pressure and convict you Jn19:12,
- Had all the weight from all levels of the government come after Him unjustly
- seen the enemy come in as a false friend to gather info to prosecute you Gal2:4, Mt26:59

RSV John 19:12 Upon this Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend; every one who makes himself a king sets himself against Caesar."

RSV Galatians 2:4 But because of false brethren secretly brought in, who slipped in to spy out our freedom which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage--

RSV Matthew 26:59 Now the chief priests and the whole council sought false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death,

Religious system/leaders

- accused of being a bastard by officials Jn8:41

- top religious leaders condemn Him as a false prophet/heretic/blasphemer Jn10:33, Mt9:3, Mt26:65

RSV John 8:41 You do what your father did." They said to him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God."

RSV John 10:33 The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we stone you but for blasphemy; because you, being a man, make yourself God."

RSV Matthew 9:3 And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming."

RSV Matthew 26:65 Then the high priest tore his robes, and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy."

Trials

- was so overcome and weak that someone else had to bear His burden Mt27:32

- Jesus has been tempted beyond measure by the devil directly when Jesus was the weakest Mt4:1-3,11 resist: Jm4:7

RSV Matthew 27:32 As they went out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they compelled to carry his cross.

RSV Matthew 4:1-3,11

1 THEN JESUS was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

2 And he fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was hungry.

3 And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."
11 Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and ministered to him.

RSV James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. **Resist the devil and he will flee from you.**

Work issues

- Job loss, ministry loss because He told the truth Jn6:66
- had false followers looking to get something for free Jn6:26

RSV John 6:66 After this **many of his disciples drew back and no longer went about with him.**

RSV John 6:26 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, **you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill** of the loaves.

Death threats & assassination attempts

- Jesus had attempts on His life Mt2:16, Jn11:53-54, Jer11:18-19, Jer20:10, Ps69:20-21

RSV Matthew 2:16 Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, was in a furious rage, and **he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem** and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time which he had ascertained from the wise men.

RSV John 11:53-54

53 So from that day on they took counsel how to put him to death.

54 **Jesus therefore no longer went about openly among the Jews,** but went from there to the country near the wilderness, to a town called Ephraim; and there he stayed with the disciples.

RSV Jeremiah 11:18-19

18 The Lord made it known to me and I knew; then thou didst show me their evil deeds.

19 But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, "**Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living,** that his name be remembered no more."

RSV Jeremiah 20:10 For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" **say all my familiar friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived, then we can overcome him, and take our revenge on him."**

RSV Psalms 69:20-21

20 **Insults have broken my heart,** so that I am in despair. I looked for pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none.

21 **They gave me poison for food,** and **for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.**

Whatever you are going thru: pain, suffering, loss, confusion, rejection... Jesus has gone before you and knows exactly how you feel. Jesus lived a sinless, perfect life but looking at all the above verses Jesus suffered greatly. If Jesus does bring suffering or loss into your life then according to Heb12:6 – Jesus considers you a son. Rm8:26 states that Jesus works ALL things for good for those who love God. Bad things do happen to Christians. Jesus suffering brought Him closer to the Father (Heb5:8). No matter how bad it seems to be remembering Cor10:13 when God states that He won't give you more than you can handle will give you comfort that you can handle twists and turns in life.

Jesus told Peter to strengthen the rest of the brothers (Lk22:31-32) after Peter suffered and repented that he denied Jesus 3 times (Lk22:60-62).

Making it thru the suffering period will produce endurance, character and hope (Rm5:3-5).

Is53:5 states that by the whips on the back of Jesus we are healed. Once you have come back to a stable ground from being in the depths of pain you will then be able to see some of the pain that Jesus went thru.

You will also be able to console someone who is going thru the fire that you just finished walking thru and your saying "I know what you're going thru" is truthful.

RSV Hebrews 5:8 Although he was a Son, **he learned obedience through what he suffered;**

SIM 1 Corinthians 10:13 You have been tempted the same way all people have been tempted, but God is faithful. He will not allow to tempt you with more than you can resist. No, when you are being tempted, God will also give you a way to escape, so that you can endure it.

RSV Luke 22:31-32

31 "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat,
32 but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail; and when you have turned again, strengthen your brethren."

RSV Luke 22:60-62

60 But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed.
61 And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times."
62 And he went out and wept bitterly.

RSV Romans 5:3-5

3 More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,
4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,
5 and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

RSV Isaiah 53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

RSV Lamentations 3:25 The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

Regards,
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- 1/20/12 - Fukushima Daiichi (end times part 1)
- 2/12/12 - The Trinity: 1 in 3, 3 in 1 or ... 4 by 2 from 1? (part 1)
- 2/25/12 - The Trinity: 1 in 3, 3 in 1 or ... 4 by 2 from 1? (part 2)
- 3/04/12 - A time for war and a time for peace
- 3/12/12 - Christian Soldier: Equipping - part 1
- 3/26/12 - 2-2-2-2-2-2-2 Enigma of Passover
- 4/3/12 - The milk of the gospel
- 4/15/12 - Prayer power
- 6/10/12 - Hard Water Parable
- 7/14/12- Jesus knows

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- PEP: Persecution, Endurance & Preservation
- Understanding, knowledge and wisdom & Fear connection
- Fall of Jerusalem: departure of the King of Kings
- 5 stones for 5 giants: tearing the Baals down
- The Law - intro/controversy/importance
- The Law - distant, past, now, future
- Path to the end (end times part 2)
- Marks of the nations of Israel (end times part 3)
- Escape from Babylon (end times part 4)
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- War scrolls fighting insights

RSV Matthew 12:49-50

49 And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!
50 For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother."

RSV Matthew 23:35 that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed on earth, from the blood of innocent Abel to the blood of Zechariah the son of Barachiah, whom you murdered between the sanctuary and the altar.

RSV Luke 2:41-43

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover.
42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom;
43 and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it,

RSV John 15:13-14

13 Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.
14 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

RSV Hebrews 12:6 For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

RSV Romans 8:28 We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose.