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Title: How Can there be a Good God When There is so Much Evil and Suffering in the World?

Text: Romans 8:28

Good and Evil coexist in creation.

Genesis 2:9 - And the LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

God created man with a free will to choose.

Genesis 2:16-17 - ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die.”

Satan tempted mankind to sin.

Death entered the creation

Romans 5:17 - For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God’s abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

It's common to suffer Sickness, pain and all types of evil that eventually lead to death.

John 16:33 - “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

God can sustain us or deliver us from evil

Matthew 6:13 - And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Psalms 18:2 - The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Eventually at the end of time God recreates the earth and Heaven without evil.

Revelation 21:1 - Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.

God can use evil to bring about good.

Romans 8:28 - And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.