

Why does God allow suffering?

God allows suffering in order for a greater good to come out of the suffering. In addition, without evil and the consequences of evil and suffering, many would not come to believe and have faith in God. When many see the consequences and punishment of sin and evil within the world, they turn to God, in order to avoid the terrible consequences of sin and evil. Without these consequences of sin and evil, unfortunately, few would come to have faith in Christ and to believe in God out of pure love, which is the best way to have faith and belief.

Whenever humans chose to suffer for someone or Christ, we become like Christ. When we do this, we unite our sufferings to those of Christ and merit a reward. The more Christlike we are in our sufferings for Christ or others, the more like Christ we are, the more we love Christ and our neighbors and the greater our reward.

Why does God allow evil and why did God create people with the foreknowledge that they would reject him and chose hell?

God allows evil for the greater good and the following five main reasons.

1. Because God is not like humans that only loves those who love them. God's love is so great that he even loves those who reject and hate him. Thus, God demonstrates and proves His infinite love for all of His creatures.
2. Whenever humans suffer because of evil, we become like Christ. When we do this, we unite our sufferings to those of Christ and merit a reward. The more Christlike we are in our sufferings for Christ or others, the more like Christ we are, the more we love Christ and our neighbors and the greater our reward.
3. Without evil and the consequences of evil and suffering, many would not come to believe and have faith in God. When many see the consequences and punishment of sin and evil within the world, they turn to God, in order to avoid the terrible consequences of sin and evil. Without these consequences of sin and evil, unfortunately, few would come to have faith in Christ and to believe in God out of pure love, which is the best way to have faith and belief.
4. God also allows evil to demonstrate His justice. At the end of everyone's life and at the end of this fallen world, everyone will receive what they deserve; either reward or punishment. This demonstrates and proves God's justice for all of mankind and creation. At that time, everyone will see that God does and allows all things for the greatest good and that his judgment is holy, good, righteous and just. No one will be able to dispute God's holiness and justice.
5. Without the actual and literal ability to reject God and to chose evil, mankind cannot possess literal and actual free will. Without free will, mankind cannot possess, receive, or give true love. Without the ability to actually chose and commit evil, mankind would be

robots that were incapable of choosing and perform good thoughts, deed, works and emotions, including love.

"However, since man, who has been given free will, voluntarily scorns my commandments and consents to the devil, then it is only just that he should also experience the devil's tyranny." - Jesus to St. Bridget