

**I. There is suffering in life**

-John 11:3, 14

Original Creation

-Genesis 1:31

Fallen Creation

-Genesis 3:17

-Genesis 3:19

-Genesis 3:12

-Genesis 3:17

1. Brokenness outside: "Creation is not how it should be"
2. Sinfulness inside: "I am not getting what I sinfully want"

**II. God has a loving purpose for our suffering**

-John 11:5-6

**III. The Word counsels us through our suffering**

- A. Truth  
-John 11:26
- B. Troubled  
-John 11:33
- C. Tears  
-John 11:35

**IV. Christ's suffering on the cross transforms our suffering**

- A. Transformation outside  
-John 11:43

-Revelation 21:4-5

- B. Transformation inside  
-John 11:49-52

**V. Our suffering will be used for Christ to be known**

- A. To us  
-John 12:1-3

- B. Through us  
-John 12:11