

# DON'T BLAME GOD!

## "Providing Solid Answers for Our Troubled Times"

In the wake of the vicious terrorist attack on the United States of America, people are asking, "Where was God?" "How could He have allowed such a thing to happen?"

On national television, Christian leaders have said outright that this act of terrorism was due to God visiting His judgment upon an apostate America. Or they have said that He "allowed" it because He has some kind of grand plan that somehow includes the vicious murder of thousands of innocent people. Islamic militants, meanwhile, rejoice that Allah has blessed their efforts to bring down the "infidels." Thus a choir of religious voices call the events of September 11 "an act of God." But is it really?

If you suspect that the answer is "No," we encourage you to read *Don't Blame God* to get a different perspective on what the Bible really teaches. If "God is love," then by His very nature He cannot act unlovingly, and that would certainly include the slaughter of innocent people.

When properly understood, the Bible reveals the heart of a loving God who does not do evil in order to bring about good. It also indicates that God gives people the freedom to disobey Him and perpetrate evil if they choose to do so. He is not to blame for the choices that others make, even choices that they make in His name.

*Don't Blame God* argues that the absolute goodness of God is exemplified in His Son Jesus Christ, who did only good things for people, and who did not "allow" evil so that good could come out of it. Neither did he judge sinners, but made it clear that judgment was reserved for a future "Day of Judgment." The New Testament makes it clear that God is not now judging people and nations, but has left them free to self-determination until He establishes the righteous government of His Son, the Messiah, at some point in the future.

If you feel a sense of anger or frustration with God after the September 11 "American Holocaust," you are not alone. We would feel the same righteous indignation if we did not know from God's Word that it hurt Him and His Son far more than it hurt anyone else, because their love is deeper than anyone else's. If we understand God's perspective on this tragedy, it will help us run to Him and find true strength and comfort. *Don't Blame God!* is a book that can help you do just that.

Please check out our website for three articles related to the September 11th terrorist attack.

"Overcoming Evil with Good" by Mark Graesser

"Day of Death" by John Lynn

"Attack on America" by John Schoenheit

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"A Biblical Answer to the Problem of Evil, Sin, and Suffering."

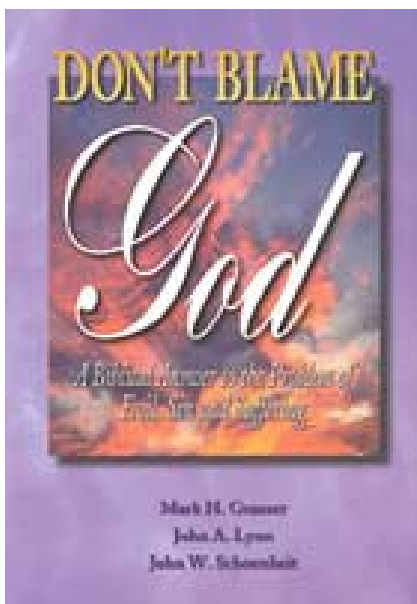
This 210 page book addresses what is probably the number one question most people have about God: If He is such a loving God, why is there such rampant human suffering? *Don't Blame God* attempts to answer this question in a way that is biblically faithful, intellectually satisfying, and emotionally healing. It is available for only \$10 through Christian Educational Services, Inc. of Indianapolis IN, USA.

This book shows biblically that God is not at all to blame for sin and death, evil and suffering. Suffering is shown to be the direct result of sin, and Jesus Christ is the perfect atonement for sin. *Don't Blame God* resolves the perceived contradiction between the depictions of God in the Old and New Testaments, particularly by identifying the figurative language involved. It shows God to be the loving Father that He is, perfectly holy and worthy of admiration, and certainly not guilty of performing acts for which human fathers would serve jail time or be executed for.

*Don't Blame God!* also corrects the common misconception that God is totally in control of all that happens (which would make Him responsible for it) and shows that He and His Son Jesus Christ are doing all they can to help us within the limitations of our faith and obedience to God's Word. The book explains what faith is and its crucial role in helping us to access the power of God.

*Don't Blame God!* argues that God does not test us by tragedy or affliction, but He can and often does bring much good out of such terrible circumstances. It explains what the "chastening" of God is and why it is not "punishment" but instruction. The redemptive value of suffering is also discussed.

Letting God speak for Himself and seeing the truth of His Word about the subject of evil, sin and suffering will help you grow in love for God and His Son, in faith for their promises, and in hope of the final victory that is ours, enabling you to live with joy and peace, even in a "war zone."



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