

USEFUL LIES

ARE YOU DECEIVING YOURSELF?

Part 4: God Hurts Us to Teach Us

What is a Useful Lie?

**Anything untrue that we believe
because it's convenient.**

God hurts us to teach us.

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God disciplines us to teach us.

Proverbs 3:11-12; Hebrews 12:10-11

God is good.

John 10:10; Acts 10:38; Romans 8:28

Why do bad things happen?

1. In our free will, we make bad decisions apart from God's will, and it causes harm.

James 1:14-17

Why do bad things happen?

2. We live in a sin-infected, broken world.

Romans 5:12

Romans 8:18-22

Why do bad things happen?

3. We have an enemy who hates us.

1 John 5:19

1 Peter 5:8-9

**“These things I have spoken to you,
so that in Me you may have PEACE.
In the world you have tribulation,
but take COURAGE;
I have overcome the world.”**

John 16:33

**Are you wiling to walk
in peace & courage
despite the pain in life?**