'The Heavy-Weight-Title-Fight' Why did God create Adversity?

The Lord said, 'I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.' (Isaiah 45:7)



In the beginning when <u>God created</u>; all was good. (Genesis 1) If God is good, then why the evil, or as it says in the French Bible "l'adversité". Why did God give freedom of choice and permit <u>Lucifer to fall</u> for pride, knowing that he'd be an <u>evil adversity</u> for us humans? Unless we have <u>freedom of choice</u> we can't be tested. However, our collective bad choices may result in calamities or <u>natural disasters</u>, that the Lord has to allow as he won't override our free choice.

Also, a battery cannot function with only a positive pole. The negative pole is needed to give it spark. Just like life; A positive life without negatives will be pretty dull life without any spark.

How could we appreciate the good, if there was no bad? How could we feel the thrill of victory if there was no battle? How could we appreciate light if there was no darkness? How can we appreciate <u>healing</u> unless we are sick, or have joy of forgiving unless feelings are hurt?

If all was hunky-dory with nothing to fight for then we would become lazy and pretty much just float



along like jelly fish in the tides and waves of the sea.

We would get tired of only the good if there was no opposite and we would probably get bored stiff.

But we say, "If we're rich then it will be good."

Most of us think, "Oh, how I wish I would be rich."



But then, the people who are filthy rich don't know what to do with themselves and many commit <u>suicide</u> as they have it all "so good" and there is nothing more to

fight for. Their dreams are fulfilled and they have reached the top only to find out that they fell into a <u>black-hole</u> of emptiness, unless of course they help the needy and <u>invest where it really counts</u>.

The Devil has to be there.

He is needed as a sparring partner otherwise how can our character be built and strengthened? How can we ever learn to defend ourselves and win against our weaknesses of selfishness, pride and fear?

If we have a weak spot, or we let our defences down by being self-absorbed



with our mistakes, our <u>mental health issues</u> and all that is wrong with us, then he barrels in and we almost get knocked for a loop with depression. Then when we get older, we want to throw in the towel with euthanasia before we reach the finish line.

If you are under attack and are going through a difficult time, then listen to this fight and how a labouring man defeated the alleged 'king of the ring'.

The All-time Heavy-Weight Title Fight:

"Ladies and gentleman, we welcome you to the fight for Heavy-Weight World Championship title. This fight has been arranged by the Father of the challenger, who undoubtedly had to pull some strings to make



this match happen. The all-time World Champion, known as "The Dragon" is challenged by a totally unknown labourer from an

obscure village in the Middle East. We're informed that his name is JC and that he has been training for almost six weeks in the wilderness without any food, and ladies and gentlemen from what I am told he is hungry and ready for a good fight. <u>This is not a</u> <u>traditional fight; this fight is a test of their spiritual</u> strength, their wits and mental endurance." (Mt.4:1-11)

The bell rings for the 'First Round':

Dragon steps forward and taunts, "If you are so great to challenge me, who do you think you are, the Son of God? You must be hungry so why don't you command these stones to become bread? Give up the fight and eat. Why loose and just be another wash-out?" Although JC blocked that one, nevertheless it was a potent left hook from Dragon. Surprisingly it does not face JC. Those six weeks of intense training have made him do his homework and he bounces back with a powerful left hook; "It is written, Man shall not

live by bread alone, but by every word that comes out of the mouth of God." Ladies and Gentleman, this JC followed it up with a



powerful right hook... This is totally unexpected and it looks like Dragon has finally found his match...

The bell rings for 'Round Two':

Dragon leaves the ring and challenges JC to come with him to the highest place in the capital; "If you think that you are the Son of God, then jump. Isn't it written that the angels will take care of you? You will only live another three years like a vagabond and I will make sure that powerful people will hate you, so your miserable life will be full of obstacles and you will have to hide many times in the wilderness which you seem to like... Hee hee... You can jump now and finish it and the angels will take care of you." Wow, Ladies and gentlemen that is Dragon at his best barrelling his dirty blows, but it is amazing how much this JC can take. He stands like a rock, unbelievable, he is coming back... Left, left, left, left; his left is like a jackhammer... "It is written again you shall not tempt the Lord your God." Dragon is reeling back and forth, but he stays up and is saved by the bell.

The bell rings for 'Round Three':



Ladies and gentlemen for Dragon to win this fight he has to pull out all the stops. He takes JC to a mountain top and offers him all the <u>kingdoms of</u> <u>the world</u>... "Don't be

stupid I will give you power, wealth and fame. You want to help people? This is your chance to really help and make a difference. If you will only let me knock you out, then the fight is over and I will remain World Champion while you will be King of the World with all the money you need to help people.

However, if you don't let me win then I will make so sure that your life will end in excruciating pain. I will put a "king's crown" on your head that you will never forget; I will have you whipped mercilessly and crucified naked. So, you decide... Daddy-boy." I can't believe it; JC responds with a volley of direct hits; he's got fight... "I'm on a mission that you can't stop, and yes, I'm highly honoured to be the Son of my Father. You may have power to hurt my body, but you'll never be able to destroy my soul, which is me, because I am his Son..." I'm amazed at this JC and his dogged determination. Woe, that was another double left whammy... He's coming back full force: "Get thee hence, Dragon: for it is written, you shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve." I can't believe this JC... Another left hook followed by

a right uppercut... BULL'S-EYE... on Dragon's chin... ...



AND LADIES AND GENTLEMEN IT IS A KNOCKOUT. What an amazing fight. UNBELIEVABLE. I think that we will

hear a lot more about this challenger, as Dragon has won almost every fight so far, by pummelling his opponents with <u>fears</u>, <u>money</u>, <u>food</u>, <u>pride</u> and <u>suicide</u>. When that failed, he hit them hard by offering them the world for the price of their <u>soul</u>: tempting them with <u>fame</u>, <u>politics</u>, <u>power and wealth</u>.

The bookies had this fight on 12 to 1. I've commented on a lot of fights but never in my life have I witnessed a fight like this. We are just receiving some more info <u>about this JC</u>. He is the oldest one in his family and he is a carpenter who lives in Nazareth. Inconceivable. Well, he is here, our new All-time World Title Holder...

JC of Nazareth. Let me see if I can catch him for an interview: "JC congratulations. I am sure people will want to <u>hear from you</u>. What would you like to tell them?"

"It won't be long till every person will be getting their final test to defend their honour and title of being a 'son and daughter of God'. If their <u>final choice</u> is to

stay faithful to me, are willing to follow



my advice and fill their jars with the oil of the WORD. (Mat.25:1-14) by adhering to my Father's teaching and my

instructions, then they will secure their titles. But, if they only hear and don't do, then they'll have a hard time to remain **faithful** to me. (Mat.7:24-27) **The WORD is what kept me** during my life on earth as recorded in: <u>Matthew</u>, <u>Mark</u>, <u>Luke</u> and <u>John</u>. Those who **stay faithful** cannot grasp what is waiting for them. 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard... what God prepared for them that love him." (1Cor.2:9)

How to train and build our spiritual muscles: Jesus proved that the WORD is our only way to stand



against the Dragon's lies as the truth knocks him out. If we <u>work out</u> and strengthen ourselves by writing down and <u>memorizing scriptures</u> that speak to us and helped us through difficult times, then we learn how to <u>resist temptations like</u> Jesus and we will overcome with the

<u>thrill of victory</u>. We strengthen our spiritual muscles by knowing God's promises. "Therefore be also ready - Nevertheless when the Son of man comes, shall he find faith on the earth? (Lk18:8) - Who then is a <u>faithful</u> <u>and wise servant</u>?" (Mat.24:44,45). Learn about what is ahead; how <u>the Antichrist</u> will rise to power; the <u>False</u> <u>Prophet</u>; the <u>Abomination of Desolation</u>, the <u>RFID</u> <u>Implant</u>, the <u>Tribulation</u> and <u>when Jesus will return</u>.

Paul said "in EVERYTHING give thanks" (1Thess 5:18) Even for these necessary tests with adversity "to know what is in our heart, to humble us, to test us, and to see whether we will keep his commandments of loving him and others, or not." (Deut.8:2 & John 13:34) Eventually 'the Dragon' that old Serpent and Satan, will be banned when the Lord has found among us, those that will love him and their fellowmen, no matter the price. 'The Dragon' will be expelled when our hearts are sorted, but till then: Believing is not enough. If we believe in God then let us be found faithful by following in Jesus' footsteps.

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