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“Suffering will only make us better (rather than worse) if, during it, we teach ourselves to love God better than before.”

Tim Keller

#2:

“Their sufferings have not made them morose and miserable. They are filled with love for Jesus Christ. He is precious and lovely to them.”

Thomas Schreiner

#3:

“How do you love him and believe in him if you can’t see him? I think the answer to that question is that even though we don’t see him face to face with our physical eyes, we do see him in another way that is even more important. In the preaching of the gospel Christ can be seen in a way that is more important than seeing him physically. Hundreds of people in Jesus lifetime saw him physically and never really saw him. There is a seeing that is infinitely more important than seeing with the eyes. If you read the gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, with openness to Christ, you can see the true glory of Christ far more clearly than most of the people who knew him on earth could see him. The gospels are better than being there. Though you do not see him now, yet in another sense you do see him far better than thousands who saw him face to face. And because you see him with the eyes of the heart, you love him and trust him and rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory This is true Christianity.”

John Piper