

How Long O Lord?: Reflections on Suffering and Evil - D.A. Carson

How Long O Lord is a sober-minded, God-centered, and pastoral treatment of something all Christians must face: suffering. This book is intended as "preventative medicine" to bolster a theology of suffering that will guide our thinking, feeling, and believing when we face tragedy. This is not an esoteric philosophical treatment of evil and the existence of God, but a practical application of God's word to realities all Christians face in our broken world. According to Carson, the book is not "a quick answer to difficult questions about suffering," or the "sort of book I would give to many people who are suffering inconsolable grief." Rather, it is "a book written by a Christian to help other Christians think about suffering and evil. . . . I shall be satisfied if it helps some Christians establish patterns and habits of thought that are so strong that when the hardest questions batter the soul there is less wavering and more faith, joy, and hope."