

What would it take for you  
to abandon your trust in God?

-Mike Bullmore

Even when it seems  
like he's doing nothing,  
we can always trust our God  
is doing something good.

1:1-2 | Setting

God's invisible  
sovereignty

## Isaiah 39:6-7, NLT

“The time is coming when everything in your palace—all the treasures stored up by your ancestors until now—will be carried off to Babylon. Nothing will be left,” says the LORD. “Some of your very own sons will be taken away into exile. They will become eunuchs who will serve in the palace of Babylon’s king.”

## Psalm 137:1-4, ESV

By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept,  
when we remembered Zion.

On the willows there we hung up our lyres.

For there our captors required of us songs,  
and our tormentors, mirth, saying,

“Sing us one of the songs of Zion!”

How shall we sing the LORD’s song  
in a foreign land?

1:3-7 | Conflict

Babylon's brainwash

1:8-16 | Climax

Daniel's resistance

## 1 Peter 3:14-16, ESV

But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect...



1:17-21 | Resolution

Trust in the  
sovereignty of our  
merciful God