

## Questions about the World

As we continue our study of Bible Questions, I feel it important to address some questions that people have about the World we live in. I, myself, have been an observer of the world and the things that happen in it and I've wondered and had questions that I wanted a biblical answer to. In this lesson, I will attempt to take scripture and answer some of the basic questions that people have...

Text: How do you cope in a troubling world? *You distance yourself from it...*



## Bible Question: Why is there evil in the world?

- Bible Answer: Evil exists in the world because from the beginning, man was inherently evil...and man remains inherently evil. The Bible tells us that when evil exists internally within people that eventually the evil will manifest itself outwardly in terms of evil deeds.
  - [Genesis 6: 5-7](#) [Matthew 12:35](#)
  - Think about some of the evil things you see happening in our world today. These things happen because of the evil that man does.
- Though man was wiped from the face of the Earth because of his wickedness, when man returned, he returned with his “free will” to make his own choices still intact.

## Bible Question: Why are there so many unfortunate events and occurrences in the world?

- Bible Answer: In this life, we will likely never understand why certain unfortunate events occur, however, scripture tells us *to expect* unfortunate events to happen. Scripture predicts famine (hunger), earthquakes, floods (natural disasters), and all kinds of evil done by man.
  - Famine and Hunger [Genesis 12:10](#)
  - Earthquakes [Ezekiel 38:19](#)
  - Floods [Genesis 7: 11-12, 24](#)
  - Evil acts of men [2 Timothy 3: 1-7](#)

**Bible Question: How does the Christian cope in a troubling world like we live in today?**

- Bible Answer: Though we live in this world, we are not to be consumed by it. In a sense, we are to try to establish some distance between ourselves and the world we live in. We are in this world, but not of this world.

– 2 Corinthians 10:3      James 4:4  
I John 2:15   I John 5:4   John 17:14-15

**Bible Question: How will we know when the end of the world is near?**

**When will the world end?**

- Bible Answer: There are a number of signs that the Word tells us to expect when the end of the world is near. False prophets, war, earthquakes, and evil acts of man are all things we are told that will happen in the last days. No one knows when the world will end but the Father. The Bible tells us that when the end comes that it will be unexpected.

– Matthew 24: 3-14   Matthew 24: 36-42