



# the hope

*"Restoring hope through the story of God."*

## NOTES

Sermon Series: Esther & The King

Week 3: God's People & Suffering

Key Verse: Esther 2:21-23, 3:1-6, 8-9, 12-13

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Summary: Suffering is a part of the human experience and even though it was not part of God's original design, He can use it for our benefit.

1. Without redemption, suffering is pointless, but within the arc of redemption, suffering is a tool that can be used for our                      and God's                     .
2. The unfortunate truth is that                      is a part of the human experience here in this broken and sinful world.
3. There are essentially two types of suffering. One that's caused by our                      decisions and the other that's caused by circumstances beyond                                          .
4. Sinful patterns that are not                      in your life will always come back to cause suffering.
5. What do we do with suffering we are experiencing that we had no hand in creating? There's only one thing to do.                      to God.
6. It's not that we pursue suffering, but when it comes our way we have an assurance that God is                      and He's already                      on our behalf.