

# ***Why Do Christians Suffer? – part 1***

***1 Peter 4:12-19***

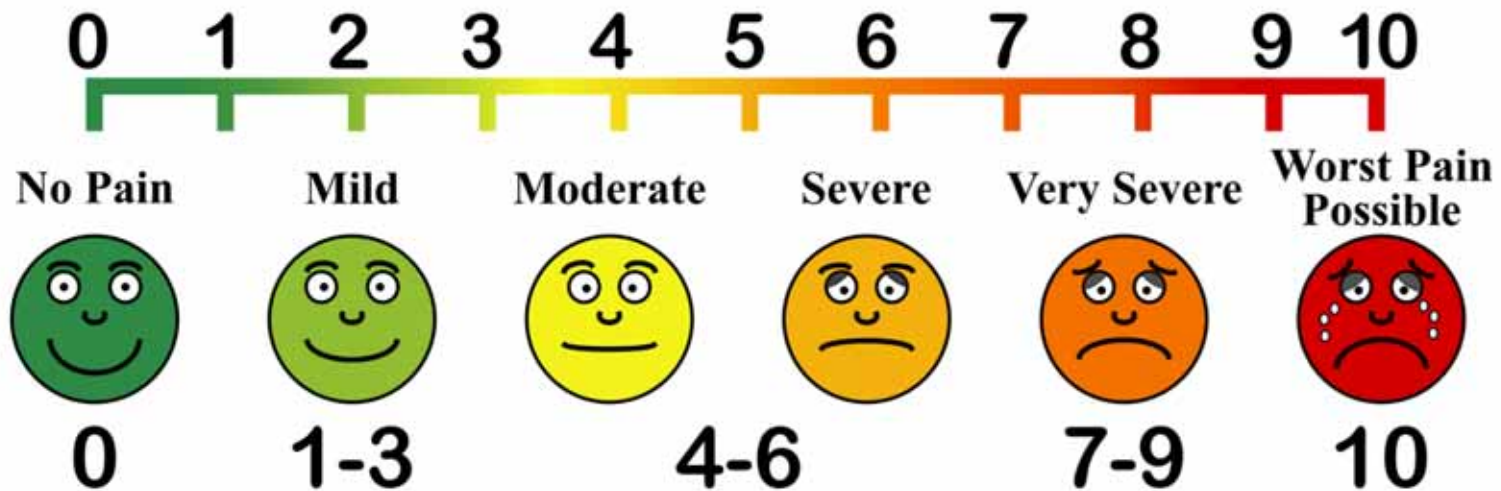


***Meniscus  
Surgery On  
Left Knee***

***Because I Was  
Suffering***



# PAIN ASSESSMENT TOOL



***What Is Your Pain Level Today?***



***How Do You Anesthetize Your Pain?***

# Garden of Eden



***Adam & Eve  
Leave  
Garden of  
Eden***

***Genesis 3 - 4***



***1<sup>st</sup> Reason Christian's Suffer –  
To Test Our Faith***

***Matthew 13:18 – 23***

# ***Parable of the Sower – Matt. 13:18-33***





**But the seed in the good soil, these are the ones who have heard the word in an honest and good heart, and hold it fast, and bear fruit with perseverance.**

**Luke 8:15**

**Consider it all joy, my brethren,  
when you encounter various trials,  
knowing that the **testing of your faith**  
produces endurance.**

**James 1:2-3**

**They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, so that it would be shown that they all are not of us.**

**1 John 2:19**

***Gold  
or  
Fools Gold?***



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***Matthew 13:18 – 23***

***James 1:2 – 3***

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***Hebrews 3:12 - 14***

# ***2<sup>nd</sup> Reason Christian's Suffer – Discipline Because We Sin***



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***Hebrews 12:7 – 8***

- ***Hosea 4:1-5***
- ***Malachi 3:10 – 11***
- ***John 5:14***
- ***Matthew 6:33***
- ***1 Corinthians 11:28 - 32***

***3<sup>rd</sup> Reason Christian's Suffer –  
Prevent Us From Sinning***

***2 Corinthians 12:9 – 10***

***1 Peter 4:19***



# ***Conclusion***

- ***How did Paul respond to suffering?***

***2 Timothy 4:6 – 8***

***Philippians 1:21 – 22***

***Hebrews 12:1 – 2***