

Trusting God when He doesn't make sense?

1. C Groeschel - He seems unattentive, late, & uncooperative

2. Dr Dopson – Adversity, Suffering, and even Betrayal from God?

almost every Christian, at some stage in life, reaches the “betrayal barrier”. This is when God seems to have forsaken us, and there is no way out of our trouble.

No explaining it away, No chapter and verse to hang on the wall.

Some Christians are like a tree planted in a rain forest. Because water is readily available , it does not have to extend its root system more than a few feet below the surface. Consequently, it is often poorly anchored and can be toppled by a minor wind storm.

But a mesquite tree planted in a hostile and arid land must send its roots down 30 feet or more in search of water. Even a gale force cant blow it over. Its unfriendly habitat actually contributes to stability and vigor.

Rom 4 - **Against all hope**, Abraham in hope believed ...¹⁹ Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead. ²⁰ **Yet he did not waver through unbelief** regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. ²² This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” ²³ The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, ²⁴ but also for us,