

God is not the source of evil

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Text from Psalms 5:5

In this verse, David addresses the Lord, saying ***“For you are not a God who takes pleasure in evil. With you, evil has no place.”*** A reverend once said in his preaching that God creates scandals to allow you to see who your friends are and keep away those who aren’t. When we talk about scandals, we’re talking about heinous acts done in public that are reprehensible. This is wrong. So, according to this reverend, God is the author of certain odious, public and reprehensible acts committed against his children.

God is love

The Bible tells us that God is love (1 John 4:8). And to find out what the characteristics of love are, I invite you to read our article on **Biblical characteristics of love**. One of these characteristics is that love does not frame evil. This is one of the characteristics of love, and this is God. God does not weave evil. So how can you think that someone who doesn’t plot evil can be the author of scandals?

Let’s beware of some teachings

Every day we receive teachings from men of God that are sometimes wrong, and this leads us to see God differently from what He is. We need to be careful

and seek the truth of the word not always through the mouth of a man of God but in his word. Let's take the trouble to go through the Scriptures and make up our own minds about what God is like and how he acts towards us, his children.

God is not the source of the evil that befalls us

To think that God is the author of scandals and therefore of evil is to call into question David's Psalms 5:5, and many other verses such as Psalms 92:16, Romans 9:14, ... The fact that we are victims of evil does not mean that it is God's will. The fact that God allows things to happen to us that we don't want doesn't mean that he wants them to happen. Job is a perfect example. God never wanted his misfortune but allowed it in order to test his faith.

So let's stop seeing God as the author of evil. Let's stop blaming him when we're down. If you are the victim of a scandal today, don't blame God, because he didn't cause it. If you, who love your neighbour, are not prepared for him to be the victim of a scandal, do you think that God, who loves that person more than you do, can really be the author of scandals and make him experience something evil?