

Hedge And Purpose

God's Protective Hedge and Redemptive Purpose

God's Protective Hedge

1. God places a **HEDGE** of protection around His children that cannot be breached without His explicit permission
 - [Job 1:9-10; 2:6](#)
 2. Not even a sparrow falls **APART FROM** the Father — how much more are we guarded?
 - [Matthew 10:29-31; Luke 21:18](#)
 3. We are **DOUBLY HELD** — in Christ's hand and His Father's hand simultaneously
 - [John 10:27-29](#)
 4. No weapon forged against us can **PREVAIL** without His allowance
 - [Isaiah 54:17](#)
 5. God works **ALL THINGS** according to the counsel of His will
 - [Ephesians 1:11; Colossians 1:17](#)
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God's Redemptive Purpose

1. What enemies **INTEND** for harm, God **INTENDS** for good
 - [Genesis 50:20](#)
 2. Permitted suffering **PRODUCES** perseverance → character → hope
 - [Romans 5:3-5; James 1:2-4](#)
 3. Present troubles are actively **ACHIEVING** an eternal weight of glory
 - [2 Corinthians 4:17](#)
 4. God **DISCIPLINES** those He loves, producing righteousness and peace
 - [Hebrews 12:5-11](#)
 5. The ultimate "good" is being **CONFORMED** to the image of His Son
 - [Romans 8:28-29](#)
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Does anything reach you by accident?

The Bible answers with a resounding NO — and the implications for how we face suffering, fear, and adversity are *deeply comforting*. These principles have *profoundly affected* my personal walk with our Father and His "beloved Son." ([Matthew 3:17; 17:5](#))

The two graphics below document what Scripture teaches about God's sovereign protection and His redemptive purpose in everything He permits to reach His children.

God's Protective Hedge walks through the biblical evidence that nothing — no attack, no affliction, no adversity — touches the believer except by God's explicit permission. The hedge is real.

God's Redemptive Purpose shows that what God permits, He purposefully redeems. The suffering is never random. It is always working toward something glorious.

For my SDA friends — Ellen, who insisted we anchor everything in Scripture alone, summarized these Bible truths beautifully:

"The blow that is aimed at him falls upon the Saviour, who surrounds him with His presence. Whatever comes to him comes from Christ... Nothing can touch him except by our Lord's permission and 'all things' that are permitted 'work together for good to them that love God.' [Romans 8:28](#) ." — [Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing.p71](#) .

For Deeper Study:

"What Am I Afraid Of?!" => <https://sidnash.org/docs/Devotionals/AmIAfraid.html>

"Extreme Trust" => <https://sidnash.org/docs/ExtremeTrust.html>

"The Ladder Between Us" => <https://sidnash.org/docs/GIL4LadderBetween.html>

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