

Four Answers to Sudden Difficulties

[Proverbs 3:5 HCSB](#) Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding;

INTRODUCTION: When faced with sudden difficulty, our hearts often question God's love, but He has answers for all our questions.

1. Lord, how do I survive this trial?
 - [Ephesians 6:16 HCSB](#) In every situation take the shield of faith, and with it you will be able to extinguish the flaming arrows of the evil one.
2. But this is not just a fiery dart. It's a fiery trial!
 - [1 Peter 1:5-7 HCSB](#) [You] are being protected by God's power through faith for a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. [6](#) You rejoice in this, though now for a short time you have had to be distressed by various trials [7](#) so that the genuineness of your faith--more valuable than gold, which perishes though refined by fire--may result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.
3. But Satan is harming us!
 - [Genesis 50:20 HCSB](#) [He] planned evil against me; God planned it for good to bring about the present result--the survival of many people.
4. What do I do?
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