No Meds! Hope Is Here! April 26, 2015

Many years ago, a man named Job lived in the land of Uz. He was a truly good person, who respected God and refused to do evil... Why is life so hard? Why do we suffer? Job 1:1, 7:1 (CEV)

Because I Live In A _____

So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. *Genesis 3:23 (NIV)*

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned. *Romans 5:12 (NIV)*

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:6 (NIV)

Because of My _____

It seems to be a fact of life that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong...there is something else deep within me, in my lower nature, that is at war with my mind and wins the fight and makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. *Romans 7:21 & 23 (LB)*

So you see how it is: my new life tells me to do right, but the old nature that is still inside me loves to sin. Oh, what a terrible predicament I'm in! Romans 7:24 (LB)

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. *Galatians 6:7 (NIV)*

Because of ______

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. *Ephesians 6:12 (NIV)*

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith... 1 Peter 5:8-9 (NIV)

Because of Others'_____

Here it is in a nutshell: Just as one person did it wrong and got us in all this trouble with sin and death, another person did it right and got us out of it. But more than just getting us out of trouble, He got us into life! *Romans 5:18 (MSG)*

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" He asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, "See how He loved him!" John 11:33-36 (NIV)

Because of the _____ of _____

"My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when He rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines those He loves, and He punishes everyone He accepts as a son."

Hebrews 12:5-6 (NIV)

Consider it pure joy, my brothers,	you	face
of many kinds, because you know that the	testin	ig of
your faith develops James	1:2-3 ((NIV)