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The God Who Suffers

Acts 17:1-15

- 1. The Old Testament and the suffering of the Messiah
- 2. The <u>nature</u> of the Messiah's suffering
 - A. Physical
 - B. <u>Emotional</u>
 - C. <u>Relational</u>
 - D. Shame and derision
 - E. <u>Mental</u>
 - F. <u>Spiritual</u>
- 3. The <u>cause</u> of the Messiah's suffering
- 4. The suffering of the Messiah, and our suffering
 - A. Not all suffering can be alleviated in the short term
 - B. The best course of action during suffering is <u>fervent prayer</u>
 - C. The suffering of Jesus made him a sympathetic savior.
 - D. While we are not promised short term relief, our suffering is short term

The response of the people

~As always, the response to the gospel message was mixed.

~There is no noble reason to spurn the love of God offered in salvation.