

All Things for Good  
8 - Chapter 3: Why All Things Work for Good

1. The Grand Reason

**Ps 50:7;**

**Deut 8:5; Ps 103:13;**

**Eph 5:29**

Titus 1:2; Ps 119:75; Heb 13:5

2. Inferences from the proposition that all things work for the good of the saints

1. If all things work for good, there is a providence
2. Observe the happy condition of a child of God
3. See the encouragement to become godly
4. The miserable condition of the ungodly  
**Eccl 5:13-14**  
**Jer 44:15-17**
5. See the wisdom of God, who can turn the worst things to good  
**Rom 11:33; 1 Cor 1:27; Is 55:9**
6. How little cause we have to be discontented at outward trials and emergencies
7. See how Scripture is fulfilled  
**Ps 73:1**
8. See why we should be frequently thankful  
**1 Thess 5:16-18**
9. If the worst things work good for us, what must the best things work!
10. If God makes all things work for our good, it is right to do all for his glory  
**1 Cor 10:31**

3. A Question

**John 15:8**

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To know that nothing hurts the godly, is a matter of comfort; but to be assured that all things which fall out shall co-operate for their good, that their crosses shall be turned into blessings, that showers of affliction water the withering root of their grace and make it flourish more; this may fill their hearts with joy till they run over.

—Thomas Watson