

# **New phase in my diary writing**

## **– Day one**

From now on I shall be writing about the world as I see it from the Christian point of view including self development and how I see the whole co\*\*vid thing. Day to day matters are less important especially as another fake lockdown comes upon us. If there is one sure thing, we are all going to suffer with deaths, restrictions and shortages this winter. I write from the UK.

I attempt to read the bible – or at least a commentary – each day. I received a good message via the Internet on the topic of suffering.

I find the bible is good source of in-spiration and the message below sums up what our attitude should be very eloquently

## **Why Can We Hope in the Midst of Suffering?**

Based on the following verses, we discover the Bible instructs to have hope in suffering because:

**Our sufferings are “light and momentary” and “are achieving for us an eternal glory” (2 Corinthians 4:17).** Paul reassures that when viewed from eternity, our pain will appear short-lived.

**God is with us through every trial.** *“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles...”* (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

**Suffering produces a mature faith.** *“Consider it pure joy, my*

*brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything” (James 1:2-4 NIV).*

**Christ gives us His peace.** *“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world” (John 16:33 NIV).*

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Last night – Wednesday 20th October 2021 – I attended a local history evening at a local village, Oakhill. The whole was carefully and meticulously presented and I enjoyed it. The one horror story was that the majority of those attending wore masks. Not the pathetic blue ones but industrial sized fairly air-tight masks which must reduce oxygen intake and prevent exhalation of carbon dioxide by at least 10%. I saw a lady who could hardly stand – she must have been about 80, struggling to breathe. What torture these people are enduring and for why.