

When I Can't Take Anymore,

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and **God** Is the **Problem**

INSPECTION

CORRECTION

CONNECTION

DIRECTION

PROTECTION

PERFECTION

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Lamentations 3:22-26; 31-33

Lamentations 3:1-3

¹ I am the man who has seen affliction
by the rod of the LORD's wrath.

² He has driven me away and made me walk
in darkness rather than light;

³ indeed, he has turned his hand against me
again and again, all day long.

Lamentations 3:4-6

⁴ **He** has made my skin and my flesh grow old

and has broken my bones.

⁵ **He** has besieged me and surrounded me with bitterness and hardship.

⁶ **He** has made me dwell in darkness like those long dead.

Lamentations 3:7-9

⁷ **He** has walled me in so I cannot escape;
he has **weighed** me down with chains.

⁸ Even when I call out or cry for help,
he shuts out my prayer.

⁹ **He** has barred my way with blocks of
stone;
he has made my paths crooked.

Lamentations 3:10-12

¹⁰ Like a bear lying in wait,
like a lion in hiding,

¹¹ **he** dragged me from the path and
mangled me
and left me without help.

¹² **He** drew his bow
and made me the target for his arrows.

Lamentations 3:13-14

- ¹³ **He** pierced my heart
with arrows from his quiver.
- ¹⁴ I became the laughingstock of all my
people;
they mock me in song all day long.

Lamentations 3:15-16

¹⁵ **He** has filled me with bitter herbs
and given me gall to drink.

¹⁶ **He** has broken my teeth with gravel;
he has trampled me in the dust.

Lamentations 3:21

Yet this I call to mind

and therefore I have hope:

1. Remember, God never stops **loving** me.

Lamentations 3:22-23

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²² Because of the LORD's **great love** we are
not consumed,

for his **compassions never fail.**

²³ **They are new every morning;**
great is your faithfulness.

2. Remember, **wait** upon the Lord.

Lamentations 3:24

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I say to myself, “**The LORD is my portion;**
therefore **I will wait for him.**”

MINISTRY

SERVICE

EVANGELISM

FELLOWSHIP

3. Remember, **seek** the Lord.

Lamentations 3:25-26

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²⁵ The LORD is good to those whose **hope**
is in him,

to the one who **seeks him**;

²⁶ it is good to wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.

WORSHIP

DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYER

MEDITATION

4. Remember, God doesn't leave
the **problem** on me **forever**.

Lamentations 3:31-33

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31 For no one is cast off
by the Lord **forever**.

32 **Though he brings grief, he will show
compassion,**
so great is his unfailing love.

33 **For he does not willingly bring affliction
or grief to anyone.**

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1. Remember, God never stops **loving** me.
2. Remember, **wait** upon the Lord.
3. Remember, **seek** the Lord.
4. Remember, God won't leave the **problem** on me **forever**.

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Hold On

To God's **Unchanging** Hand