

## THE ANSWER TO SUFFERING

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 12:7-10

- I. THERE IS A MYSTERY IN SUFFERING (v. 7)
  - A. It is Connected to Man's Spirituality
  - B. It is Connected to Man's Mortality
- II. THERE IS AN AGONY IN SUFFERING (vv. 7b-9)
  - A. The Basis of the Suffering (v. 7b)—*was given*
  - B. The Benefits of the Suffering (vv. 8-9a)
    - 1. Reliance on God in Prayer
    - 2. Realization of God's Power
- III. THERE IS A VICTORY IN SUFFERING (v. 10)
  - A. The Trials of Our Faith in Christ (v. 10a)
  - B. The Triumph of Our Faith in Christ (10b)