

O God, We Hear of Suffering

A hymn-prayer for Nepal

O God, we hear of suf - f'ring of peo - ple in Ne - pal;
A wo - man sifts through rub - ble, a man has lost his home,
O God, you love your chil - dren; you hear each lift - ed pray'r!
Where are you in the an - guish? Lord, may we hear a - new

There, moun - tains trem - bled, val - leys shook and rocks be - gan to fall.
A hun - gry, or - phaned tod - dler sobs, for she is now a - lone.
May all who suf - fer in that land know you are pres - ent there.
That an - y - where your world cries out, you're there — and suf - f'ring, too.

From ci - ty streets, the cries of grief rise up to hills a - bove;
Where are you, Lord, when thou - sands die — the rich, the poor - est poor?
In mo - ments of com - pas - sion shown, in sim - ple acts of grace,
And may we see, in oth - ers' pain, the cross we're called to bear;

In all the sor - row, pain and death, where are you, God of love?
Were you the ver - y first to cry for all that is no more?
May those in pain find heal - ing balm, and know your love's em - brace.
Send out your church in Je - sus' name to pray, to serve, to share.

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