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# In God's Waiting Room: Learning Through Suffering



## Synopsis

This valuable book is the tender, sensitive account of the ups and downs, the patience, and the victory in knowing God's love in times of need. After Preaching many years on Christian's response to sickness and suffering, Lehman Strauss has had to learn firsthand about the affliction God allows for His own. Dr. Strauss felt for himself the agony of helplessness and despair when his wife, Elise, suffered a severe stroke. Dr. Strauss's willingness to bare his own feelings, and his expert exposition of key Scripture passages on suffering, will encourage every Christian who is called upon to spend time in God's waiting room.

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Most of us who proudly identify ourselves as Christians pull back when it comes to pain and suffering. Despite being told we will suffer persecution and afflictions, we want a pass on pain. Not only does Lehman embrace his suffering, he does so seeking the face of God! He seeks understanding of it all from our great and loving God. And, because he seeks, he finds. Because he found, we, too, can mature in this important area of suffering. This is deep; it is real; it is beautiful and most instructive! It offers no short cuts, thank God!

In March of 1982, barely nine months after his 50th wedding anniversary, Rev. Lehman Strauss received the crushing news that his wife had been stricken by a massive stroke. While spending days, weeks and even months at his suffering wife's side, Rev. Strauss learned that some trials in life go on very slowly indeed, and as we sometimes find ourselves in a doctor's waiting room, we also sometimes find ourselves in God's waiting room.   
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courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: Wait, I say, on the Lord.â • (Psalm 27:14) In this overwhelming book, written while Rev. Strauss and his wife were going through their time of testing, the author takes his vast knowledge of scripture, and organizes it into nine chapters of courage and comfort for those who are also waiting on the lord. As a husband who also has to wait beside a suffering wife, I have found this book to be a great source of courage and comfort. I highly recommend this book to anyone facing a trial in their life, one that requires not action, but quiescence.

Dr. Strauss has since gone Home to be with His Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. His legacy lives on through those lives he touched while here, and his books give those of us who desire a closer walk with God, an opportunity to partake of his wisdom. I am not presently going through suffering, but I know a lot of people who are. This book sheds light on the subject and allows the heart and mind to drink in some of the ways God works for our good when we can't understand "why me". Dr. Strauss writes, but God's Holy Spirit teaches and instructs us as we read with an openness to learn, trust, and obey God, and to lean and rest on His promises and His everlasting arms. God never makes mistakes and never has to say, "oops".

If nothing else, it lets you know you are not alone when it comes to trials and they can happen to anyone. This book was a great source of comfort to me.

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