

Then You Will Kiss It!

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When we see God's loving hand in our affliction, we'll no longer murmur under it, but instead, we'll kiss it.

Scripture: Hebrews 12:6, James 1:2, Revelation 3:19

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the importance of viewing afflictions as instruments of love from our Heavenly Father. He encourages Christians to recognize that, like Jesus, we should accept our trials with gratitude, understanding that they are meant for our growth and discipline. By seeing the rod of affliction in the context of God's love, we can embrace our hardships rather than complain about them. This perspective transforms our pain into a source of sweetness and kindness from God.

Transcript

"Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline." Revelation 3:19

Christian! Always look on the rod of affliction, in conjunction with the hand which holds it. Thus Jesus did, "Shall I not drink the cup that My Father has given Me to drink?"

Though the cup was a bitter cup, a bloody cup--yet seeing it was put into His hand by His Father, He drinks it off, with a "Father, I thank You."

The rod in itself brings nothing but pain to the child; but the rod in the hand of a father brings nothing but love, kindness, and sweetness. You should never look upon the rod of affliction, but as it is in the hand of your heavenly Father--and then you will kiss it, rather than murmur under it!

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