

Resolving Contradictions

Man's Question: How do God, Time, and History fit together?

Faith is not a doctrinal/moral procedure!

Reality of God = Word, Will and Power of God.

Reality as a Whole = Eternity	–	Circumstances	–	Faith
(Word		(contradictions)		
Will		(Earthquakes		
Power		Pestilence, Epidemiology,		
of God)		Before Governors)		

There are not contradictions between the 3 parts
bec. all are structured by God!

Faith is not vulnerable to time, experience, and events!

How come? Because faith is a part of reality as a whole!

God turns contradictions into harmonies!

Faith resolves contradictions = that is spiritual maturity!

Gen. 16 Hagar situation

Gen. 22 Abraham saw no contradiction
between death of Isaac and the promise of God.

Hannah saw no contradiction between her barrenness and her faith.

Mary and Martha saw the death of Lazarus as a contradiction to their faith.

Cleopas and his companion saw Jesus death as a contradiction to their faith.

In Exod. 5
the Israelites having their straw taken away
 was a contradiction to faith.

The Red Sea, no water, no food was the same thing.

In Matthew 14 Peter saw the water as a contradiction to his faith.

In Gen. 12
Abraham was told he'd be the father of a great nation
 but he was old and his wife was barren!

In Luke 1
 Zechariah is told his barren wife will have a child
 and he questions the power of God!

In Gen. 3,
the serpent induced Adam and Eve
 to fragment reality as a whole
 and they sinned.

However, **David** didn't see the size of Goliath as a contradiction.

Mary didn't hear Gabriel's prophecy as a contraction!

Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah
 didn't see their deportation and situations as a contradiction.

If you remove any one of these 3 parts
 that make up the whole,
 it dissolves into a mass of contradictions.

These things aren't contradictions.

They are parts of a harmonious whole.

Job's wife said his situation was a contradiction.

He said, "no, it is a part of God's will."

He was praised for stance regarding
the reality of God
and reality as a whole.