

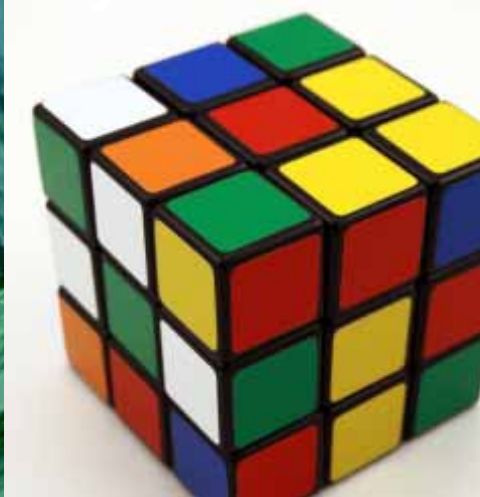
Problem (Being) Solved

2 Peter 3:1-14



Problem

- How could God allow suffering?
- What is sin?
 - Brings brokenness, separation and pain
 - Doing bad things, making good things into *ultimate* things
 - Understanding sin brings hope to world
- One has only one choice: God or idolatry
- Without God highest goals fragment
- Racism, classism, sexism are not matters of ignorance



Process

- God isn't trying to get off the hook for human suffering
- Resurrection is not just *consolation* for the life we never had, but a *restoration* of the life you always wanted
- We had *lost* God's *shalom*
- God is in the process of restoring *shalom* for us
- Jesus breathed his last for you
 - Does that sound oppressive?



Solution

- **God has done His part**
- **He is waiting on your part**
 - Not willing any should perish
 - You first, then others
- **Personal salvation, not a personal plan**
- **Continue the process through**
 - Living holy and godly lives
 - Make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with Him

