

In the midst of his pain and suffering Job cried out, "Oh that I knew where I might find Him!"

Is this what Jesus experienced – a loss of God's presence or of the sense of God's presence?

In Psalm 16 (a messianic psalm) the Messiah is depicted as saying: "I have set the Lord continually before me; Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; My flesh also will dwell securely. For Thou wilt not abandon my soul to Sheol; Neither wilt Thou allow Thy Holy One to see corruption."

The impression we get from this scripture is that Christ is continually in the presence of the Lord, and always in the position of God's favor, even in the time of approaching death.

*Therefore I don't feel that this is an adequate answer.*

B. Does it mean to feel that the face of God is turned away, or that the smile of God has been withdrawn?

In Job 13:24 Job says to God, "Why do you hide your face, and consider me your enemy?" Is this what Jesus experienced?

In the King James version of Habakkuk 1:13 we read, "Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity." On the basis of this scripture some people argue that if the sins of the world were laid on