Parables For Sinners: Good And Bad

"The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; He knows those who take refuge in Him." (Nahum 1:7), English Standard Version

Why does God allow _____ to exist in the _____'s world?

A Closer Look At The Parable Of The Net
  A. Matthew 13: One of ____ parables about the _____ of God:
     1. 13:47,48 – A net was used to trap _____ of _____ kind. These were then _____, the bad from the good.
     2. 13:49,50 – At the _____ of the age _____ will come and _____ the evil from the _____.
  B. Passages that help us understand the parable:
     1. Matthew 13:41,42 – _____ will gather all causes of _____ and ____-_____, and throw them into the _____.
     2. Matthew 22:8-14 – The one who was cast _____ of the _____ had accepted the _____ to come in.

Principles Learned From The Parable Of The Net
  A. ***The coexistence of the good and the bad:***
     1. Psalm 37:1 - _____ often cause us to _____!
     2. Galatians 2:4 - _____ brothers _____ in to bring others into _____.
     3. Jude 4 - _____ people have _____ in with the aim of _____ the grace of God into sensuality.
     4. 2 Peter 2:1 - _____ prophets will _____ bring in _____ heresies.
     5. 2 Peter 3:17,18 – Christians can _____ the influences of these, and their faith can _____.
  B. ***The Lord knows those who are truly His:***
     1. Nahum 1:6,7 – When God's _____ is poured out like _____, the Lord _____ those who take _____ in Him.
     2. 2 Timothy 2:19 – God _____ those who are _____.
     3. Revelation 3:1,4 – In a church Jesus regarded as _____, there were some who had not _____ their garments.
     4. People make _____ when _____ fish, but not the Lord.

1 Peter 1:6,7 - _____ come because of _____ around us. But these can actually help make our faith _____.

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