

REAL STRUGGLES

Paul the apostle.

"We are in this **struggle** together. You have seen my **struggle** in the past, and you know that I am still in the midst of it." Philippians 1:30(NLT)

". . . join me in **my struggle** by praying to God for me." Romans 15:30

Jesus

"And being in **anguish**, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground." Luke 22:44

Series Maxim

God _____ and is _____ in it.

Struggle ↔ a g o n i a

- a _____
- an athletic contest

When in agonía

- God _____. 1 Peter 5:7
- God is _____.
 "God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." Hebrews 13:5

- God offers you grace/help for _____.
 "But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."
2 Corinthians 12:9
Matthew 6:33-34
- _____ Romans 15:30
- We need _____.
 "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing."
1 Thessalonians 5:11
Matthew 26:37-38

What if my struggle – agonía is with God?

Insight

All real struggles have a _____ to them.

God's Word to you . . .

- 'I _____ you' and have proven it.
 "But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us." Romans 5:8(NRSV)
- 'You may _____' this side of heaven.
Isaiah 55:8-9
- 'I offer you _____.'
2 Corinthians 12:9, Ephesians 1:18-19(NLT)
- 'You can _____.'
 "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us."
Romans 8:37

