

says, God is not the author of sin. Yet, it also says, ^{that} God ~~the Lord~~ foreordains all that comes to pass. How do you fit those together? We fit them together by realizing that God cannot do anything that is contrary to His nature. ^{the universe} There is a nature of God. ~~God~~ God cannot make 1964 suddenly become ~~1964~~. There are certain principles of right. ~~and~~ There are certain principles which are in the very nature of God. People like to ask ~~the~~ ^{the} question, ^{It is} ~~is~~ God ~~omnipotent~~ ^{omnipotent} ~~that~~ He can make a stone so big that He could not lift it ~~up~~? Of course, the answer to that ^{is} ~~is~~ that there are certain principles in the very nature of the universe and ⁱⁿ God's nature and God cannot go against His nature. God could have made us all ~~atom~~ automatons, Press ^a the button this ^{We go this way} and ^{and we go that way.} press the button that way. Our ~~second principle~~ ^{second principle} ~~We~~ ^{move} ~~on~~ as He just presses the buttons. That would have been a very simple thing for Him to do. But that is not ~~what~~ ^{what} God chose. God chose to create beings that ~~were~~ would love Him, because they wanted to love Him, that would love Him, because ~~there~~ they were grateful for what He had saved them from, that would have a heart that ~~would~~ ^{war} ~~truly~~ ^{and} voluntarily devoted to Him, and free agency to the extent to which God has given it to us is impossible without the possibility of making a wrong choice. And when a choice is made that is contrary to God's will, you ~~has~~ ^{the} have ~~this~~ introduction of this terrible principle of sin, and so I think it is good that we understand how sin came into the world ~~through~~ ^{but} through Adam, ~~and~~ ^{though} how God ~~is~~ not the author of ~~the~~ evil ~~and~~ ^{at} permitted a situation in which God ~~allowed~~ ^{at} sin could come in, and God chooses to permit a situation to continue in which sin can come in, and God permits ^{us} a very considerable amount of freedom. You can choose to follow God and ^{to} make your life count for Him. You can choose to make