How do we enjoy this?

**John 3:16 KJV**

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have eternal life”

**Does God punish us when we do something wrong?**

Through my various encounters and relationships with people, I have met with people who have the mindset that whenever they “Sin” or do something wrong, God punishes them, makes things go bad, they lose their jobs even to the extent of inflicting sickness on them.

I remember vividly, I was speaking with a friend and he said he was having back pain, and he doesn’t know whether God was using it to punish him for a wrong he did. I was quick to rebuke him, God will never do such. How many of our earthly parents will inflict sicknesses on us just because we did a wrong?

At first, I used to wonder whenever a friend of mine would say God was punishing him for failing to obey an instruction he was given. I would marvel at the time, thinking within myself that I would love to get to that level….Funny one, I just didn’t know much then but yet I never experienced such.

God never punishes us when we do wrong.

All punishment for sin was laid on Jesus at the cross, so

If he pre-paid for sins, then why should he get angry?

**How Do I know God will never do such?**

The Bible says, Jesus went about doing good, healing all those oppressed of the devil. Also Jesus said “whatever I see the Father do, that I also do”.

**Hebrews 1:3a** explains it well

“Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person…….”

Jesus is the visible expression of the person of God.

A lot of people with this mindset have ended up losing their lives, thinking they were being rewarded for some wrong deed in the past. Sickness and diseases are never an instrument of God to correct us or draw us to himself, rather, he showers his love on us.