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If there is a God - why is there evil in the world?

Even though there is suffering and evil in the world, there are sound reasons for believing in an all-powerful and all-loving God. There is a link between free will and evil in the world. I believe that even though God knows everything the idea of free will is that God's omnipotence includes a power to set a limit on what can be known, and thus on God's own knowledge. As humans have been given free will it allows us to cause evil and suffering in the world. So, why does God allow evil in the world? Doesn't evil in the world contradict God being an all-loving God?

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Possibly – but without free will what we do would be completely predictable. We would be like machines. Like machines we would be without emotions like anger and hatred, and emotions like happiness, love, joy and forgiveness and without such emotions human life wouldn't be worth having. It wouldn't be worth living.

Temptation is also an evil and the question can be asked, why does God allow temptation to exist, isn't God powerful enough to eradicate it? Well - God is. However, maybe God wants or hopes that humankind will find a way to overcome temptation and learn to be strong.

Alternatively, we as humans have created temptation such as casinos and alcohol. Perhaps God thinks that as we created this problem we should be the ones to overcome it. I don't think free will contradicts God being an all-powerful being, maybe just that God wants to see us do good without His constant help. If God did something to make everything right all the time how would we learn? How would we improve?

Some people say evil doesn't seem likely to come from God as God is faultless and perfect, so evil must of come from elsewhere. Because of this God could be justified in allowing evil to stay. Or perhaps God knew that by giving us free will this allows evil in the world and it would be there to test us.



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There is also moral evil and natural evil. Moral evil can be linked to free will. But why is there so much natural evil in the world?

I think when God created humans He gave us free will and some men have abused this freedom. To conclude, without free will emotions wouldn't exist and without emotions we wouldn't be humans. We would be like machines. We would be robots!

Without evil, emotions wouldn't exist and we wouldn't be humans without emotions, we would be robots!

