Lord, I Am Suffering

Lord, I am suffering and am sometimes tempted to rebel against this pain which is griping me and invading my soul.

Lord, I know that you know what it is like and that you understand me. In the Garden of Agony, did you not, yourself, protest against the pain?
You were frightened, you felt the sadness, the revulsion, the desperation and you wanted to push away this suffering.
"Father, it is too hard, if it be possible may this cup be removed from me."

You are really like us. All of nature protests against pain which is an evil. It came into your life through the wickedness of men but your infinite love used it for our redemption.

You linked all of human suffering to your Passion and you saved us from sin and from death. It isn't the suffering which saves but your Love which accepted it. "Father, that your will be done and not my own"

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