

Lesson 4 - I Peter 1:1-12

Reassurance of God's Work of Grace	References to Trials	Response to Suffering	Relationship to Others
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - chosen by His foreknowledge (1:1,2) - Know that the H.S. is at work in us when we desire to follow Him and we habitually obey Him (1:2) - Shown great mercy (1:2-3) - We have been caused to be born again (1:3) - We are given and inheritance and a hope (1:4) - We are protected by the power of God (1:5) - Salvation to come (glorification) (1:5) - Need to rejoice in what we have been given and remember that in times of trial (1:6) - Love of God, belief in Him - looking forward to the salvation (future) of our souls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - distressed or afflicted with sorrow, grief - it is for a little while (1:6) - Trials can have beneficial outcomes - praise and glory and honor brought to Jesus (1:6-7) - Tested by fire - refining <p>Refiner's Fire Jer 6:27-30; 7:1-25; Zec 13:8-9; Mal 3:2-3; Ps 12:6; 66:10; Pr 17:3; 27:21</p> <p>It purifies It strengthens God is constantly watching to make sure we are not harmed in the process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - designed to bring praise, honor, and glory to God 	<p>Live for the Savior through it</p> <p>James 1:2-4, 12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consider trials joy - Testing produces endurance - We become perfect, complete, lacking nothing - Gain approval from Christ and receive the crown of life <p>Romans 5:1-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perseverance (patience) - Proven character - Hope - doesn't disappoint <p>I Peter 4:12-13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - don't look at trials as some strange thing - When we share in the suffering we will rejoice with exultation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - prepare minds for action (13) - Keep sober in spirit (13) - Fixing your hope on the true grace (13) - Don't be conformed to the former lusts (14) - Be holy in all your behavior (15) - Conduct yourselves in fear while here (17) - Fervently love one another