

Lesson 7 - Suffering for the Gospel

Definition of Suffering	Purpose of Suffering	Reponse to Suffering	Conduct Worthy of Suffering
<p>John 15:20 - a slave is not greater than his master - they persecuted Him, they will persecute you</p> <p>I Peter 4:13 - to the degree we get to share the sufferings of Christ we are to rejoice</p> <p>I Peter 4:16 - if anyone suffers as a Christian - don't be ashamed but glorify God</p> <p>I Peter 2:20 - we patiently endure suffering for God - this finds favor</p> <p>NOT SUFFERING FOR OUR OWN SIN!</p>	<p>John 15:21- for the sake of the name of Jesus</p> <p>Hatred brings persecution Because the world doesn't know God - they persecute those who represent Him</p> <p>Ro 5:3-4 - suffering brings perseverance - proven character - hope that doesn't disappoint</p> <p>Ro 8:17 - we suffer with Him so we can be glorified with Him</p> <p>Ro 8:29 - suffering helps us to be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ</p> <p>II Cor 4:11 - life of Christ can be made visible in our lives</p> <p>Col 1:24 - we are Christ's example to our world</p> <p>Heb 2:10 - your salvation is completed or perfected through suffering</p> <p>I Pet 1:7 - faith is proved by the testing - brings praise, glory, and honor to Jesus Christ</p>	<p>I Thes 3:3 - we have been destined to suffering and afflictions</p> <p>II Tim 3:12 - all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted</p> <p>I Peter 2:18-25 - Jesus left us a pattern to follow</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - when reviled - He did not revile - When suffering He uttered no threats - Entrusted Himself to the One who judges righteously <p>I Pet 4:12 - don't be surprised</p> <p>I Pet 4:19 - entrust our souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right</p> <p>Phil 3:8 - everything we have is rubbish in order for us to gain Christ</p>	<p>Phil 1:27-2:4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - same mind - Maintaining same love - United in spirit - Intent on one purpose <p>Furthering the Gospel</p> <p>Do nothing out of selfishness or empty conceit</p> <p>Humility of mind</p> <p>Think more of others than yourself</p> <p>Look to the interests of others</p> <p>Eph 4:1-6</p> <p>Oneness of the body</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Humility - Gentleness - Patience - Forbearance in love - Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace <p>What we believe will be the basis of how we behave</p>