

SUFFERING GRACE

1 Pet 3-4

Intro. Rom 8:36; 2 Cor 6:4; 1 Cor 4:10; Phil 4:12; 1 Pet 4:12.
Success gospel or suffering gospel. Certainly serving gospel

I. Sources of attack on godly.

from nat'l (sin) cause

1. Satan, Job 1:6; 2 Co 2 11:14; 12:7
 2. Demons Eph 6:12
 3. Wicked, openly opposed people, Acts 4:27; 7:54
 4. Socially minded people, 1 Thess 3:3
- Other believers, Gal 2:4.

II. Why do we suffer?

1. So can be blessed (not delighted but privileged) 3:14.

Normally if do good don't suffer, 13, but sometimes do.
Make X lord, 15; give defense 15; good consc, 16; good behav 16

2. So as to follow X, 18-4:1a. 2:21-23. Isa 53:7. Only when under oath, Mt 26:63-4. X's suff was vicious (death) and victorious, 3:18 alive at moment of death. Arm=put on armor
purpose=attitude or mind-set as Heb 4:12.

3. So as to prove break with sin, 4:1b-6, Rom 6:6-7.

If suffer it's from reckoning truth of Rom 6 and living in will of God.

Leave old life, 2-3 and old friends, 4.

III. What to do in suffering, 4:7-19

v. 7 prayers

1. Pray with sound mind and self-control. Sober comm with G

2. Stretch love for others, 8 Not blind but doesn't parade faults of others.

3. Be friendly to strangers, 9.

Reach out to others.

4. Exercise spir gift, 10-11 Speaking, serving.

5. Rejoice, 12-14. Bec fellowship with X and sense of His presence and glory.

6. Don't retaliate, 15.

7. Commit self to God, 19. Deposit or entrust. 19 and do what's right.

8. 1 Pet 5:7
Concl. Theme of 1 Pet-5:12