

Suffering as a Christian

1 Peter 4:12-19

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Discussion Questions

- 1. Why should Christians not be surprised by suffering? How does Peter describe the purpose of trials in 1 Peter 4:12–13?**
- 2. In what way does Peter say believers should respond when they are reviled or suffer for Christ's name? Why is this response considered a blessing?**
- 3. What does Peter mean by “suffering for doing right” in verse 15? How can we discern whether our suffering is due to sin or faithful obedience?**
- 4. How does the phrase “the time has come for judgment to begin from the household of God” (verse 17) shape our understanding of God's justice and the believer's responsibility?**
- 5. What does it mean to “entrust your souls to a faithful Creator” (verse 19)? What actions or attitudes demonstrate this trust during trials?**
- 6. How can suffering, when endured for Christ, become a powerful witness to others and reflect God's glory in our lives?**