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Rosh Chodesh Message

## **Lessons from Peter**

## The Fiery Ordeal

## 1 Peter 4:11-19

- Vs.11 The gift is a spiritual gift, a divine endowment that Elohim entrusts to believers as stewards. Messianics should use their spiritual gifts to Elohim's glory, just as Elohim intends. (Jeremiah 23:22; Romans 12:6-8; 1 Cor 3:10).
- **Vs. 12** Why are we surprised when we suffer for the Messiah. Suffering from family, friends or the people of the world. Suffering for Messiah from the world considers us strangers and pilgrims in this world.

- Vs. 13 Instead we rejoice that we are sharing in the suffering with Messiah. The suffering that Peter is talking about is persecution, ridicule, people who revile you. The more persecution we endure the more revelation we will receive. The Kingdom of Elohim operates on a different level than us finite humans.
- Vs.14 If we are insulted for Yeshua then we are insulted in fact Kefa said the more we suffer the glory of Yehovah and power will actually rest on us. (Matt 5:11;2 Cor 12:10; James 1:12).
- Vs. 15 Peter encouraged his readers to live in such a way that their sufferings were caused by their devotion to Messiah and not by an evil acts; they glorify Elohim by doing so. (1 Thess. 4:11; 1 Tim 5:13).
- Vs.16 We must not be ashamed but glorify Elohim in the name of Yeshua!
- Vs. 17 Judgement must begin with the House of Elohim. (Jeremiah 25:29; 49:12). How much more judgement will it be for those who disobey the Gospel of Elohim. (Colossians

- 3:6).
- Vs.18 Peter then asks the question if it is hard for the righteous to be saved what shall become of the ungodly and sinner? Prov. 11:31.
- Vs.19 Those who suffer according to Elohim's will let them trust their souls to a faithful Creator while continuing to do good! Ps 31:5; Luke 23:46; 2 Tim. 1:12).

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