

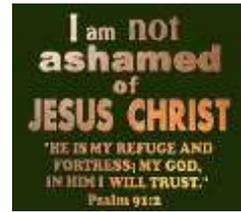


Faith Missionary Baptist Church

BIBLE STUDY

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LESSON 4

1 Peter 4:1-19

Enduring The Fiery Trial With Joy

INTRODUCTION

There is a high cost for being a follower of Jesus Christ. It costs rejection, ridicule, persecution, physical abuse and in some cases even death. Christians around the world are suffering right now. Many have been killed for proclaiming the name of Jesus. Yet, Christianity keeps on growing. The glory and the splendor that awaits Christians far exceeds any suffering we encounter in this world. Right now, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord is seated at the right hand of God the Father. However, to get there, He had to suffer, bleed, and die. Through his resurrection he overcame all the suffering He endured on the cross. His suffering was well worth it. Why? Because millions have been saved and is still being saved right now. If we want to experience the glory; we must endure suffering for the name of Jesus.

1st Reading-1 Peter 4:1-3.....*Have An Aggressive Attitude Toward Sin*

- A. Think of what sin did to Jesus-(Crucifixion)
- B. Enjoy the will of God
- C. Remember what you were delivered from(Your past life)

2nd Reading- 1 Peter 4:4-6,*The New You Will Stun Your Old Friends*

- A. Be patient toward the lost
- B. You will be scorned or mocked
- C. They will appear before God, the judge
- D. They will receive their judgment sentence

3rd Reading- 1 Peter 4:7-9.....*The End Of The World Is Coming*

- A. The end is near
- B. Be alert and watchful in prayer
- C. Above all show genuine love to one another
- D. Love covers countless sins
- E. Show hospitality without complaining(May include food and temporary housing)

4th Reading 1 Peter 4:10-11,*Use Your God Given Gifts*

- A. Use your gifts to minister to one another
- B. Use your gifts as stewards (accountability, entrusted)
- C. Preachers preach as the words of God. (2 Tim. 2:15)
- D. Reason: That God be glorified
- E. Benediction: To whom be praise and dominion.
- F. Forever.
- G. Amen. It is so.

5th Reading 1 Peter. 4:12-13:-.....*Don't Be Surprised-Expect Suffering*

- A. Beloved-term of Christian affection ad greeting
- B. Don't think suffering is strange
- C. Fiery trial-intense, painful
- D. Rejoice about the fiery trial
- E. Why? You are partakers with Christ.
- F. Present suffering equals future glory. (Rom. 8:18, 2 Cor. 4:16-17)

6th Reading-1 Peter 4:14-16.....The Blessings of Suffering For The Name of Christ

- A. If you be confronted for the name of Christ
- B. Blessed are you (See Matthew 5:10-12, Acts 5:41)
- C. **Benefits:** Spirit of glory and God rests upon you
- D. To the world-Jesus is evil spoken of.
- E. To you- He's glorified.
- F. Don't suffer for wrong-murderer, thief, evil doer, busybody
- G. Don't be ashamed to suffer for being a Christian
- H. Glorify God for this.

7th Reading-1 Peter 4:17-19.....For The Time Is Come

- A. Judgment comes first among God's people(Not Hell fire and brimstone judgment)
- B. **Question:** If Christians are judged what about unbelievers?
- C. **Question:** If the righteous barely escapes what about unbelievers?
- D. If you are suffering for the will of God continue.
- E. HE will never leave you.



Spiritual Application: Apply This Lesson To Your Life Today

- 1. No cross no crown.
- 2. Endure the fiery trials of life with patience and hope.
- 3. Future glory outweighs all the trials we endure.
- 4. Jesus suffered gladly for us so we should suffer gladly for him.
- 5. Don't be surprised by the fiery trials.
- 6. _____
- 7. _____

MEMORY VERSES: “Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you; But rejoice inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ’s sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.” –1 Peter 4:12-13

