

TODAY'S MESSAGE
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ST. PETER 4:12-19
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"ALL CHRISTIANS WILL SUFFER" PART II

¹⁵ *But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters.* **EXB-¹⁵** But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or any sort of criminal, or as a mischief-maker (a meddler) in the affairs of others [infringing on their rights]. 1THESS. 4:11-KJV-*And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;*

¹⁶ *Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf.* **EXB-¹⁶** But if you suffer because you are a Christian, do not be ashamed. ·Praise [Glorify] God ·because you wear that name [*or because you are called by his name; ^l in that name*].

¹⁷ *For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?* **AMPC-¹⁷** For the time [has arrived] for judgment to begin with the household of God; [as followers, believers, we will be judged for the deeds and things we have done in this life-RET] and if it begins with us, what will [be] the end of those who do not respect *or believe or obey* the good news (the Gospel) of God?

¹⁸ *And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?* **AMPC-¹⁸** And if the righteous are barely saved, what will become of the godless and wicked? **KJV-Rev 21 ⁸** *But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the *abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.* *Detestable, idolatrous, disgusting

¹⁹ *Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.* **EXP-¹⁹** So those who suffer ·as God wants [*or because God has allowed it; ^l according to the will of God*] should trust their souls to the faithful Creator as they continue to do what is ·right [good].

1 Peter 4:12-19-Amplified Bible, Classic Edition

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¹² Beloved, do not be amazed *and* bewildered at the fiery ordeal which is taking place to test your quality, as though something strange (unusual and alien to you and your position) were befalling you.

¹³ But insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, rejoice, so that when His glory [full of radiance and splendor] is revealed, you may also rejoice with triumph [exultantly].

¹⁴ If you are censured *and* suffer abuse [because you bear] the name of Christ, blessed [are you—happy, fortunate, ^{to} to be envied, ^{with} with life-joy, and satisfaction in God's favor and salvation, regardless of your outward condition], because the Spirit of glory, the Spirit of God, is resting upon you. *On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.*

¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or any sort of criminal, or as a mischief-maker (a meddler) in the affairs of others [infringing on their rights].

¹⁶ But if [one is ill-treated and suffers] as a Christian [which he is contemptuously called], let him not be ashamed, but give glory to God that he is [deemed worthy to suffer] in this name.

¹⁷ For the time [has arrived] for judgment to begin with the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will [be] the end of those who do not respect *or* believe *or* obey the good news (the Gospel) of God?

¹⁸ And if the righteous are barely saved, what will become of the godless and wicked?

¹⁹ Therefore, those who are ill-treated *and* suffer in accordance with God's will must do right and commit their souls [in charge as a deposit] to the One Who created [them] and will never fail [them]. ¹³ 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.