

Christians Are Called To Be Tested

1 Peter 4:12-19

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Thesis: Christians are called to respond to testing by rejoicing in Christ, glorifying God, and trusting our Creator.

1. Following in the footsteps of Christ doesn't just include suffering, but also rejoicing (vs. 12-13)

Reflection:

How can you rejoice in suffering?

2. Suffering comes with a blessing that empowers us to glorify God (vs. 14-16)

Reflection:

Does your fear of suffering cause you to be ashamed of Christ?

3. We can trust God when judgment comes, because He is a good Creator (vs. 17-19)

Reflection:

What we trust in is where our mind goes when we face hard times. Where does your mind go when things get hard?

Application:

1. Focus your mind on the future to live for God now.
2. Speak and live Christ!
3. Take time to meditate on the power of God in salvation and creation.