

Disciple's Quest

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31



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What Did Jesus Do? Part 2
I Peter 3:18 – 20

Main Idea:

Persecution is likely in this life for disciples of Jesus. It can come from a variety of sources, and sometimes it can be severe, resulting in sorrow or even suffering. Disciples, however, are able to persevere when persecuted by being faithful to their calling and by taking stock in the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus for their salvation and His triumph over evil powers.

Outline:

- 1) Jesus died on the cross to save us entirely and securely from sin.
- 2) Jesus has triumphed completely over evil powers.

Regarding 3:19-20,

- Who are the spirits in prison?
- When did Jesus make His proclamation to them?
- What was the content and purpose of His message?
- What was, and is, the takeaway?

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 Who is the ultimate example of triumphant suffering?

Why? What did Jesus do?

#2 Whose plan was the cross?

#3 What is the significance of the Christian's eternal home in heaven when suffering strikes in this life?

#4 How is the fact of Jesus' triumph over the supernatural forces of wickedness as encouragement to persecuted/suffering Christians?

#5 What power do the spiritual forces of wickedness have over believers in Jesus?

#6 What is the certain future of the devil and his demons?