Disciple's Quest

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

John 8:31



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1 Peter 4:1 – 11 Instructions for Striving After Holiness, Part 2

Main Idea:

Life in this present fallen world can be difficult for us as disciples of Jesus. The enemy's snares and the hostility of the unbelieving can distract us and impede our pursuit of holiness. But in Christ, we're able to overcome these challenges as we arm ourselves with the necessary perspectives, commitments and priorities for engaging in spiritual combat.

Outline:

To strive after holiness successfully as Christians, we must arm ourselves with:

- 1. The right mindset dead to sin and alive in Christ (v.v. 1 -2)
- 2. The right expectation persecution (v.v. 3-4)
- 3. The right understanding of God's character (v.v. 5 6)
- 4. The right anticipation lesus coming again (v.v. 7)
- 5. The right attitude love (v.v. 8 -9)
- 6. The right commitment faithful service (v.v. 10 11)

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:	
#1	What is the mindset that the Christian must arm himself with in order to strive after holiness successfully in this fallen and sometimes hostile world?
#2	Why does the believer's pursuit of holiness sometimes offend the unbelieving?
#3	How can the expectation of persecution help the Christian as he strives to live righteously?
#4	In what ways can the right understanding of God's character help the believer to bear up when called to suffer for righteousness' sake?
#5	How does the contemplation of the Lord's nearing return encourage the Christian's

pursuit of holiness in this life?