



## Reflection Questions

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Sin or Suffering

1 Peter 4:1-6

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This week, we return to our study of 1 Peter, examining a passage that challenges us to confront perhaps our most formidable enemy: ourselves.

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### **Reflection Questions:**

1. When faced with difficult circumstances, do you find yourself more often choosing sin as a shortcut around suffering, or choosing to suffer in obedience to God?
2. In what ways does your life shock or surprise the people around you because of your commitment to Christ, and how do you respond when you are maligned for it?
3. What idols of the heart might be driving sinful patterns in your life, such as comfort, companionship, money, or control?
4. How does recognizing that you are your own biggest spiritual enemy change the way you approach spiritual warfare and daily obedience?
5. When Peter says that whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, what does this reveal about the relationship between enduring hardship and spiritual growth?
6. How does the example of Christ choosing suffering over sin in His wilderness temptation challenge your own approach to temptation and trials?
7. How does understanding that all people will give an account to God affect your urgency in sharing the gospel with those who are spiritually dead?
8. What does it practically look like for you to arm yourself with the same mindset as Christ when facing the daily choice between obedience and compromise?