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1. Suffering assures us we belong to Christ (John 15:18)
2. Suffering brings us closer to Christ (Phil 3:10)
3. Suffering conforms us more to Christ's character (Rom 5:3–5)
4. Suffering leads to a future reward (Rom 8:16–18)
5. Suffering is only temporary (2 Cor 4:16–18)
6. Suffering enables unbelievers to hear the Good News and be saved (2 Tim 2:10)
7. Suffering enables the Church to hear the truth and be edified (Col 1:24)