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## 1 Peter 3:8-17

*Timeless Truth: Righteous suffering brings blessing and favor from God.*

## WHAT SUFFERING TEACHES US

### 1. Righteous suffering pushes us to embrace Christ's perspective (vv 8-13)

The Mind and Heart of Jesus (1 Peter 2: 19-23)

The Face of the LORD (Psalm 34)

**Consider:** Where are you struggling to be imitators of God (Ephesians 5:1)?

## 2. Righteous suffering positions us to proclaim our hope in Christ (vv 14-15)

The Do and Do-Not's in Suffering (Matthew 10:28)

Ready to Respond

**Consider:** Do you truly consider suffering to be such a blessing that you would proclaim Christ and the gospel even when attacked?

## 3. Righteous suffering purifies our message and motivation (vv 16-17)

The Do's of Our Defense

**Consider:** Does your reaction and response to suffering reflect the Spirit or the flesh? What needs to shift?