



# FIRST BAPTIST

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1. We rarely \_\_\_\_\_ suffering
2. God has a \_\_\_\_\_ for suffering
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ suffering is \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
3. Suffering is \_\_\_\_\_
4. Suffering produces \_\_\_\_\_

Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel?

Isaiah 40:13

<sup>12</sup>Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup>But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.

1 Peter 4:12-13

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Romans 5:1-5

Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin.

1 Peter 4:1

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:2

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

Hosea 4:6

Before I was afflicted, I went astray, but now I keep your word.

Psalm 119:67

It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn your statutes.

Psalm 119:71

An ounce of heart knowledge is worth more than a ton of head learning.

- Charles H. Spurgeon