



Things to Remember When You Suffer for the name of Jesus

1. Suffering disgrace for His name is not a punishment, it is a privilege.

Acts 5:41 (NIV)

“The apostles left the Sanhedrin, rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name.”

1 Peter 4:12-14,16 (NLT)

“don’t be surprised at the fiery trials you are going through, as if something strange were happening to you. Instead, be very glad—for these trials make you partners with Christ in his suffering, so that you will have the wonderful joy of seeing his glory when it is revealed to all the world.

If you are insulted because you bear the name of Christ, you will be blessed, for the glorious Spirit of God rests upon you...it is no shame to suffer for being a Christian. Praise God for the privilege of being called by his name!”

Philippians 1:29 (ESV)

"For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake”

2. God will give you boldness stand for His name sake in the time of suffering.

Acts 4:29-31 (NLT)

“O Lord, hear their threats, and give us, your servants, great boldness in preaching your word. Stretch out your hand with healing power; may miraculous signs and wonders be done through the name of your holy servant Jesus.

After this prayer, the meeting place shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. Then they preached the word of God with boldness.”

Ephesians 3:9-12 (ESV)

“God, who created all things, so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.”

3. God will use your suffering for good and your blessing.

1 Peter 4:14 (ESV)

"If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you."

Matthew 5:11-12 (ESV)

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven”