

## Evidence, Part II

**“Only [be sure to] lead your lives in a manner [that will be] worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I do come and see you or remain absent, I will hear about you that you are standing firm in one spirit [and one purpose], with one mind striving side by side [as if in combat] for the faith of the gospel. And in no way be alarmed or intimidated [in anything] by your opponents, for such [constancy and fearlessness on your part] is a [clear] sign [a proof and a seal] for them of [their impending] destruction, but [a clear sign] for you of deliverance and salvation, and that too, from God. For you have been granted [the privilege] for Christ’s sake, *not only to believe and confidently trust in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,* [and so you are] experiencing the same [kind of] conflict which you saw me endure, and which you hear to be mine now.”**

**Philippians 1:27-30 AMP**

**1. Suffering is evidence that I'm in union with the Jesus and a sign of my salvation It proves that I truly identify with Him.**

**The grace I have to endure suffering is a evidence to the opponents of the Gospel that their destruction is waiting.**

**“This salvation was the focus of the prophets who prophesied of this outpouring of grace that was destined for you. They made a careful search and investigation of the meaning of their God-given prophecies as they probed into the mysteries of who would fulfill them and the time period when it would all take place. The Spirit of the Anointed One was in them and was pointing prophetically to the sufferings that Christ was destined to suffer and the glories that would be released afterward.”**

**1 Peter 1:10-11 TPT**

**“For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:”**

**I Peter 2:21 NKJV**

**2. Jesus set the pattern:**

**Suffering**

**Overcoming**

**Glory**

**Why is Joseph’s evidence so strong a witness?**

**Why do we talk about Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?**

**What did Daniel’s evidence lead to?  
Suffering, followed by even greater evidence.**

### **3. Suffering prepares the way glory and exaltation.**

**“And if [we are His] children, [then we are His] heirs also: heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His spiritual blessing and inheritance], if indeed we share in His suffering so that we may also share in His glory.”**

**Romans 8:17 AMP**