

First Peter Temporary Residents in a Foreign Land

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"Standing Firm in the End Times" I Peter 4:1-11 June 30, 2019 Brad Lichtman

Theme: Just as Christ suffered, so shall we, for the sake of righteousness. We need to put aside worldly behaviors, even at the risk of being ostracized by others, including those with whom we are close. Earthly suffering pales in comparison to what is in store for those who follow Christ. Judgment is coming and we need to be ready. We are called to use our spiritual gifts to partner with God in order to advance His plan for His people.

Outline:

1. Two Focus Points for 1 Peter 4:1-11.

A. Decide that we are willing to suffer for righteousness

B. The final judgment is near so we should behave a certain way in our lives.

- Adopt an attitude of suffering so we can live our lives for God. 4:1-2
- 3. We need to change our behaviors which will lead to ostracization. 4:3-5
- 5. Our suffering will be mitigated by God's final judgment granting eternal life. 4:6
- The End is near. This directly affects how we should pray. 4:7
- We should love and apply our spiritual gifts to serve others and to glorify God 4:8-11

Takeaway: TBD

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