

Main Idea: We will face suffering in this life, so we persevere in the hope of Christ

Context of 1 Peter

- **Author:** Peter
- **Audience:** Gentile-Christian Churches throughout Asia Minor
- **Situation:** Encouraging believers to persevere through suffering

The Freedom in the Gospel

The Living Hope of Jesus

- We have an imperishable inheritance
- We proclaim the name of Jesus
- We behold things angels desire to know

Set Apart for Christ

- Living stones of a Spiritual House
- A Royal Priesthood and a Holy Nation
- Sojourners and Exiles in this world

Persevering in God's Grace

Stewards of the Good News

- By loving one another earnestly
- Live with radically ordinary hospitality
- Our gifts are used to serve one another

The Joys of Suffering

- Do not be shocked when trials come
- The Spirit of Glory and of God rests on you
- In suffering you entrust your soul to the Creator

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Intro Question: What is the worst injury you have ever had? How did it happen?

Teaching Part 1

The Freedom in the Gospel

Read 1 Peter 1:10-12 - Peter says that we get to see and know things that angels long to look into. What does he mean by this?

Those who have believed in Jesus Christ as their Lord and savior get to fully know and see what He has accomplished on their behalf on the Cross. Being both a sacrifice and their substitute for their sins, and by sending the Holy Spirit to dwell within them.

Read 1 Peter 2:4-6 - How are we as believers a royal priesthood? Who is the Cornerstone that has been Chosen?

Teaching Part 2

Persevering in God's Grace

How can we live a radical hospitality as students who don't own a home?

While we are students and may not own a home, we can show hospitality to others by serving them, by inviting them into your home (making sure it is okay with your parents), by honoring your parents. Another way is to leave things better than we have found it, and often times this will take work and intentional thought.

Read 1 Peter 4:12-16 - Why does Peter consider it good and that we suffer?

In this world we will face suffering, as Christ has gone before us and suffered on our behalf. Jesus who lived a perfect life was beaten, mocked, and scorned, so we who call upon His name and live this life imperfectly should expect the same treatment.

Answer to Remember: The letters of the New Testament are God's inspired instructions to His people about the gospel, the Christian life, and the Church.

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