

When The World Won't Understand
1 Peter 4:4-6

A. THE INTRODUCTION TO 1 PETER (1:1)

4. The *theme* of this Letter centers around _____ for Christ as it relates to...

- a. _____. (1:1–12)
- b. _____. (1:13–2:10)
- c. _____. (2:11–3:22)
- d. _____. (4:1–5:7)
- e. _____. (5:8–14)

I. Readiness in Mind (1 Peter 4:1-6)

A. Christ's mindset adopted (1 Peter 4:1)

1. Christ's suffering is a _____ — the completed act of redemption with lasting results.
2. Believers are called to adopt His _____ — embracing His attitude toward suffering, which breaks our allegiance to sin and strengthens our obedience to God.
3. Suffering displays a _____ — marking our freedom from sin's dominion and realigning us under Christ's authority.

B. Carnal motives abandoned (1 Peter 4:2-3)

1. The believer is called to a *new way of* _____.
2. Our remaining time on earth has a *new* _____.
3. We should reject the pull of _____.
4. Our aim should now be aligned with *the _____ of God*.
5. We do not *live* this out on our own strength. The _____ reshapes our desires and enables us to follow God's will.
6. Suffering clarifies what truly _____.
7. Believers have already spent _____ living for the wrong things.
8. The world's desires once _____ us, but they should not _____ us now.

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9. A changed life *should* include a clear break from _____.

C. Criticism Anticipated (1 Peter 4:4)

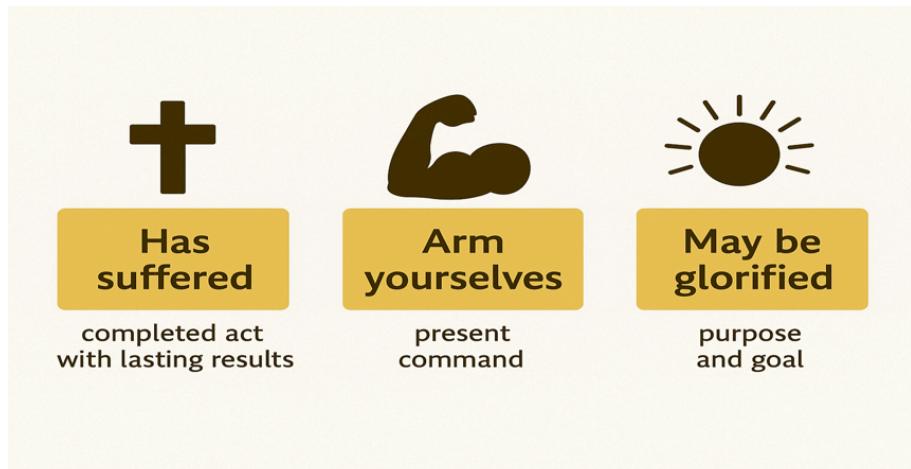
1. They will think it _____ when you do not _____ with them.
2. They will _____ of you.

D. Coming Judgment Acknowledged (1 Peter 4:5-6)

1. They will give _____ for this.
2. God's judgment is _____.
3. The _____ was _____ to them.
4. They were *judged in the flesh*. The world rendered its _____ on them — they suffered, some even died.
5. They now *live according to God in the spirit*. But God gives the true verdict: *life* — His judgment, not the world's, is _____.

* How Does This Apply To You?

1. Jesus _____ for you.
2. When you place your _____ in Him...You have — right now — _____
(John 3:16; 5:24)
3. The Holy Spirit indwells you, giving you the capacity to _____ God's Word in a way you simply couldn't before.
4. Because God is the final _____, His grace enables us to _____ misunderstanding and to keep _____ for His _____.



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