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CHRISTLIKENESS

THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SUFFERINGS

Our goal is Christlikeness, Philippians 3:10

The PROMISE of Suffering

1. Don't think it strange - Satan comes — Mark 4:15;
 A. Forewarned is to be fullarmed – 1 Peter 4:1
2. To this we are appointed — 1 Thessalonians 3:2-4
3. This is part of our calling — 1 Peter 2:21
4. Suffering is a certainty for all who desire Godliness — Acts 14:22; 2 Timothy 3:12
5. There is a quota the body must fill — Colossians 1:24
6. There is a limit God allows — 1 Corinthians 10:13
7. God delivers us out of them ALL — Psalm 34:19

The PURPOSE of His Suffering - It facilitates transforming our mind - Romans 12:2

1. Provokes us to seek God — James 1:5
2. Prevents us from falling — Psalm 119:67
3. Profits all who love God — Romans 8:28
4. Prunes us to bear more fruit — John 15:2
5. Purifies to yield fruit of righteousness — Hebrews 12:11
6. Proves and refines our faith — 1 Peter 1:7
7. Proves and tries our hearts — 1 Peter 4:12
8. Perfects love by suffering long — 1 Corinthians 13:4
9. Perfected Jesus — Hebrews 2:10; 5:8
10. Perfects and establishes us — 1 Peter 5:10

God's PERSPECTIVE of suffering - Preparation for His eternal Glory, according to HIS will, 1 Peter 4:9

1. Receive it as God's perfect gift — Philippians 1:29
2. It's a sign of God's sonship — Hebrews 12:5-8
3. It's God's training for reigning — 2 Timothy 2:12
4. Develops Godly compassion — 2 Corinthians 1:4
5. Greatly rewarded in Heaven — Luke 6:22-23
6. Produces eternal glory — 2 Corinthians 4:17

PRINCIPLES For VICTORY during suffering - respond in opposite inclination of your flesh

1. Stay in Faith — James 1:3-8
2. Envision God's final outcome — Job 23:10
3. Submit yourself to God — 1 Peter 2:23
4. Patiently Endure — James 1:2-4
5. Consider Christ who endured — Hebrews 12:3
6. In everything give thanks — 1 Thessalonians 5:18
7. Rejoice in Lord always, HE is my portion — Lamentations 3:24
8. Count it all joy — James 1:2
9. Put your praise on — Isaiah 61:3

A. PRAISE

P – Procures His Presence — Psalm 22:3

R – Releases His Prisoners — Acts 16:25

A – Activates His Authority — 2 Chronicles 20:22

I – Initiates His Purposes — Proverbs 18:10

S – Silences His Adversaries — Psalm 8:2

E – Executes His Judgement — Psalm 149