

For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in Him but also suffer for His sake, - Philippians 1:29

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. **13**But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when His glory is revealed. – 1 Peter 4:12-13

And whoever does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me. **39**Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. – Matthew 10:38-39

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; **9**persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; - 2 Corinthians 4:8-9

Remember the word that I said to you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. – John 15:20

Other Scripture used: Romans 8:18-22, 28; John 15:18-21, 16:33; 1 Peter 2:19-21, 5:10; 2 Timothy 3:12; Luke 14:27; 2 Thessalonians 1, 3:2-3; Galatians 6:2; James 1:12; 2 Corinthians 1:5 (All ESV)

**Sermon Notes: Christian Suffering – Part 1**

Suffering as a Christian is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Our sufferings include \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Practical ways to prepare for times of suffering:

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