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Live a lifestyle that is countercultural (1:13-2:10), by submitting to authority - even when it's unjust (2:11-3:12) and be transformed through difficulty (3:13-4:11) as we follow Jesus together.

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The Blessing of Suffering

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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. ¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.



The Gospel can give us joy in suffering.



The Coming Judgment

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For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

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2 Thessalonians 1:7b-9 ESV

...when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels ⁸ in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. ⁹ They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might...

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The gospel can give us joy in suffering, and our suffering motivates us to share the Good News.

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Live With Trust

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Therefore let those who **suffer** according to God's will **entrust their souls** to a faithful Creator **while doing good**. 00