

LESSON 8
SUFFERING AND THE NEW BIRTH – PART 2
1 PETER 4:1-19

I. A Proper Attitude Toward Suffering (4:1-6)

A. The Encouragement (4:1a)

- Peter encourages believers to have the _____ as Jesus.

B. The Basis (4:1b-6)

1. It encourages obedience (4:1b-2)

- We must _____ as we identify ourselves with Jesus who died to sin.

2. We have engaged in enough sin (4:3)

- Peter tells us that we have _____ before salvation.

3. The reaction of the lost (4:4-5)

- The unbelievers think it is strange that you _____ in your life.
- This results in _____ about believers.

4. The hope of the gospel (4:6)

- The gospel provides hope concerning the _____.
- While they have faced judgment in this life, they are _____.

II. Proper Conduct in Suffering (4:7-11)

A. A proper perspective (4:7a)

- We are to place all things in _____.
- We are to recognize that we are approaching _____.

B. Proper conduct (4:7b-11)

1. Pray (4:7b)

- We are to _____ in our prayers.

2. Love (4:8)

- We need to be marked by an _____ toward each other.

3. Hospitable (4:9)

- We are to willingly be hospitable to those in need without _____.

4. Service (4:10-11a)

- We are to be _____ of the spiritual gifts that God has entrusted us with.

5. God's glory (4:11b)

- These actions on our part will result in _____.

III. Proper Endurance in Suffering (4:12-19)

A. Grasping reality (4:12)

- We are to come to grips with the reality that _____.

B. The call to rejoice (4:13)

- We have joy when we recognize the privilege of _____.

C. The blessing (4:14)

- When we suffer for our faith, we will be blessed because _____.

D. The warning (4:15)

- Peter warns believers not to suffer for _____.

E. The proper attitude (4:16)

- We should not be _____, but rather have joy.

F. God's discipline (4:17-18)

- Suffering purifies the _____.

- Peter points out that the lost will face _____.

G. The call to commitment (4:19)

- Those who suffer, must commit their lives to Creator through _____.