

## TRIALS AND TRUST

1 Peter 4:12-19

**Big Idea:** *As Christians, we should trust God through trials, knowing they are part of His will and meant to grow us.*

1. As Christians, we should \_\_\_\_\_ .

<sup>12</sup> “Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you.”

1 Peter 4:4 “In *all* this, they are surprised that you do not run with *them* into the same excesses of dissipation, and they malign *you*.”

Matthew 13:20-21 “The one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup> yet he has no *firm* root in himself, but is *only* temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away.”

2. As Christians, we should \_\_\_\_\_ .

<sup>13</sup> “But to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation. <sup>14</sup> If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.”

Romans 8:18 “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.”

Acts 5:40-41 “They took his advice; and after calling the apostles in, they flogged them and ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and *then* released them. <sup>41</sup> So they went on their way from the presence of the Council, rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for *His* name.”

Matthew 5:11-12 “Blessed are you when *people* insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

3. As Christians, we should \_\_\_\_\_ .

<sup>19</sup> “Therefore, those also who suffer according to the will of God shall entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.”

2 Timothy 1:12 “For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.”

Luke 23:46 “And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, ‘Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.’ Having said this, He breathed His last.”

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