

Growing in Grace

Armed for Overcoming

1 Peter 4:1-6

Passages to Read 1 Peter 1-4

Study Questions

1. How did Christ suffer in the flesh? (1 Peter 4:1; 3:18)
2. How do you arm yourself with the same purpose? (1 Peter 4:1)
3. What does it mean to suffer in the flesh? (1 Peter 4:1)
4. Explain how one can cease from sin? (1 Peter 4:1)
5. What are the lusts of men? (Peter 4:2)
6. What is the will of God? And how is it distinct from the lusts of men? (1 Peter 4:2; 2:12,17)
7. Why should you not live according to the lust of men but for the will of God? (1 Peter 4:2-6)
8. Describe each of the courses of the unbeliever desires? (1 Peter 4:3)
 - a. sensuality
 - b. drunkenness
 - c. carousing
 - d. drinking parties
 - e. abominable idolatries
9. Do you practice these things? Do you desire to go into this lifestyle? What should restrain you?
10. How does idolatry fit into all these ways of living? Does it still fit in today? (1 Peter 4:3)
11. How is the unbelieving world trying to manipulate believers into changing the direction of there ways? (1 Peter 4:4)
12. What are the people of the past surprised about? (1 Peter 4:4)
13. What are “excesses of dissipations?” (1 Peter 4:4)
14. How can people malign you? (1 Peter 4:4)
15. What past, present and future aspects need to be considered to properly arm yourself, to continue the breaking off from sin? (1 Peter 4:3-5)
16. In what ways will people give an account?
 - a. Heb. 13:17
 - b. 1 Peter 3:15
 - c. Acts 19:40
 - d. Matt 12:36
17. Who is the Judge and what does it mean that He is ready? (1 Peter 4:5; 3:22)
18. Who are the living and the dead? (1 Peter 4:5)
19. What is the main purpose for preaching the gospel? (1 Peter 1:10,18,21,23) What seems to be the purpose here? (1 Peter 4:6)
20. How are people judged in the flesh? (1 Peter 4:6)
21. What does it mean to “live in the spirit according to the will of God?” (1 Peter 4:6)

Main Verse: 1 Peter 4:2

Prayer Focus Meditate on the thought of how much the will of God guides your life. Consider the great value of the new life. Thank God for the treasure of His kingdom.