

“To This You Were Called”

1 Peter 2:19-23; 4:12-19

1 Jn 2:6 – How DID Jesus WALK?

1 Pt 2:21 – “... to this you were called...”

Jesus’ Example of Suffering – 1 Pt 2:19-23

Context is slaves & masters yet principles go beyond this context alone.

What is the call? (v. 21)

“leaving an example” (v. 21)

~ *example* – rare Greek word used only here in 1 Pt 2:21

~ What’s the imagery of this word?

What was Jesus’ Example?

1. No Sin/Deceit/Wrongdoing (Rom 3:23; 1 Pt 2:20)

2. Not Spiteful/Antagonistic Nor Retaliatory (Isa 53:7; Rom 12:17-20)

3. Committed Himself to the Father (Mt 26:53)

Suffering & Understand It Has _____ - 1 Pt 4:12-19

A. It is _____ (v. 12) – “do not be astonished”

See 1 Pt 4:4; Jn 15:20; Acts 14:22; 2 Tim 3:12

B. It is a _____ (v. 12) – “a trial by fire”

See 1 Pt 1:7; Rom 5:3-5; Jas 1:2-4

C. It is a _____ (v. 13) – “rejoice...shared in the sufferings of Christ”

See Acts 5:41-42; Jas 1:2; Mt 5:12; Rom 5:3; Acts 5:41

HOW CAN WE FIND JOY IN THE MIDST OF ALL THE JUNK, HARDSHIPS, & PAINFUL CIRCUMSTANCES?

1. Understand that the joy the world gives is not the same as the joy the Spirit gives.
2. Understand that God’s joy cannot be taken away.
3. Stop wallowing, whining, and complaining, & grab onto God’s joy.

SHARING IN CHRIST’S SUFFERINGS RESULTS IN:

- Joy with Christ (1 Pt 1:6)
- Fellowship with Christ (Phil 3:10)
- Reigning with Christ (2 Tim 2:12)
- Being Glorified with Christ (Rom 8:17)

D. It is the _____ (1 Pt 1:7)

See Phil 2:9; Rom 8:18; 2 cor 4:17-18

1 Peter 4:19 NET – “So then let those who suffer according to the will of God entrust their souls to a faithful Creator as they do good.”