



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

July 19, 2020

1 Peter 3:18-22

“The Pattern of Christ’s Suffering and Exaltation”

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

1. This passage shows that Christ’s suffering led to His exaltation. Similarly, we are reminded that we will also face suffering in this life.

- a. How has fear of suffering kept you from living a Christ honoring life?
- b. How might your life and choices look different if you did not fear suffering?
- c. How does verse 18 provide hope to those currently in suffering?

2. This passage contains several controversial ideas that many throughout church history have struggled to interpret. (NOTE TO GGLs: This is not meant to be a debate of controversial passages, but a sharing of helpful tips and practices to help one another be better interpreters.)

- a. In your own quiet times, when you come across a passage that is difficult to understand, interpret, or apply, what have you found to be helpful?
- b. What steps do you take?
- c. What resources are helpful to you?
- d. What pitfalls do you attempt to avoid?
- e. In your interpretation of difficult passages, how do you attempt to display charity and humility?