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Suffering for Christ

1. It's not a surprise

1 Peter 4:12

Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you

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2. Is a reason to be glad

1 Peter 4:13

But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.

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3. It will be fruitful

1 Peter 4:13

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3. It will be fruitful

1 Peter 4:14

If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

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3. It will be fruitful

Mark 15:39

And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died he said, “Surely this man was the Son of God!”

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4. It will finish

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4. It will finish

1 Peter 5:10

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

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4. It will finish

Hebrews 12:2

For the joy that was set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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5. God is faithful

1 Peter 4:19

So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

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5. God is faithful

1 Peter 1:7

These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith – of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire – may result in ...

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I'm just suffering

1. It's not from God

Luke 13:4-5

Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them – do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no!

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I'm just suffering

1. It's not from God

Luke 13:4-5

'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor, .. freedom for the prisoners, .. sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,

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2. God is closer than you think

Psalm 34:18

**The Lord is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.**

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2. God is closer than you think

Psalm 34:18 (MSG)

**If your heart is broken, you'll find God right there;
if you're kicked in the gut, he'll help you catch your breath.**

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3. Look out for the good

Romans 8:28

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who[a] have been called according to his purpose.

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4. Meet the rescuer

Isaiah 46:4

Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.

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4. Meet the rescuer

Psalm 23:6

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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