

Title: **Suffering Servants, Suffering Savior**
Text: **1 Peter 2:18-25**
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Big Idea

We are called to persevere in the midst of unjust suffering as we follow in the steps of our Savior who unjustly suffered for us.

1. The C_____ to S_____ (v. 18)

(cf. 1 Peter 2:11-17)

- ...Even to to the U_____ (v. 18b)

2. The C_____ to P_____ in Doing G_____ (vv. 19-21)

(cf. 1 Peter 2:12)

How? By...

1) T_____ our sovereign & j_____ God (vv. 18-19)
(cf. 1 Peter 1:17, 4:19; Romans 12:19)

2) A_____ future heavenly r_____ (vv. 19-20)
(cf. 1 Peter 3:9-17, Luke 6:32-36)

3) R_____ Jesus (v. 21)
(cf. 1 Peter 1:11, 18-19, 4:1, 13)

3. The C_____ of Christ (vv.21-25)

(cf. Isaiah 53)

- The S_____ (example) of Jesus (vv. 22-23)
(cf. Isaiah 53:3-4; Mark 14:55-65, 15:16-20, 29-32)
- The S_____ of Jesus (vv. 24-25)
(cf. Isaiah 53:5, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5:21, Romans 5:8)

Recommended Resources:

1. Suffering: Gospel Hope When Life Doesn't Make Sense by Paul David Tripp
2. Suffering Wisely & Well: The Grief of Job & The Grace of God by Eric Ortlund
3. Where was God when that happened? And other questions about God's goodness, power and the way he works in the world by Christopher Ash



Reflection Questions

- How does understanding this passage in its context help clarify for you some of the possible confusions about this passage?
- In what ways have you suffered because of your faith? If you never suffer for your Christian faith, what might that say about your Christian faith?
- How the knowing that suffering as a Christian is following in Jesus' steps both liberating and challenging? Are there ways you need to stop avoiding His steps and begin walking in them?
- What truths from this morning's passage encourage and empower you to persevere in doing good even in the midst of difficulties?

Parent Corner: What are ways you are positively - or perhaps negatively - shaping your child(ren)'s understanding when it comes to suffering, comfort, doing good and the gospel? What are ways you can better prepare your child(ren) to suffer like Christ?

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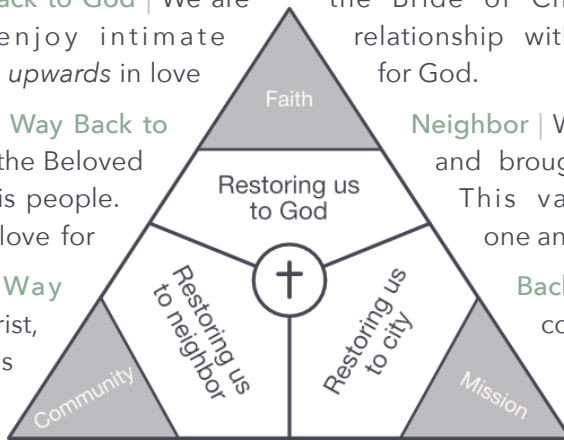
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COMMUNITY: The Way Back to Christ, adopted in the Beloved relationship with his people. church *inwards* in love for

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MISSION: The Way the Embassy of Christ, Savior to be his value presses our in love for the

Back to City | We are commissioned by the ambassadors. This church *outwards* unbelieving.



Your Next Steps

When approaching the Christian faith and life, it can be confusing to know where to even begin. Come find us at the Next Steps Table after the service—it would be our joy to help you along in the journey! And if you're a visitor, we have a special gift bag for you. Don't miss it!



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Announcement Spotlight

Women's Bunco Social Event

Ladies, mark your calendars! Get ready to have some summer fun, food, and fellowship as we have a social event on Saturday, July 12th from 10:00am to 1:00pm!

We will learn and play a simple dice game called Bunco and have time to socialize and have lunch together. All Mercy Hill ladies from ages youth group and up and friends are invited. A simple lunch will be provided. If you've got that competitive spirit, make note that prizes will be awarded too. This is a great social opportunity to invite friends from outside of Mercy Hill!

Please scan the QR code below to find a link to RSVP by Monday, July 7th, so we have sufficient time to ensure we have enough supplies and food.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Margaret at marhsieh@gmail.com.

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