1 Peter 4:12-19

Men of Grace

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2 Tentative Outline

1:1-2 Greeting and spiritual identity

1:3-2:10 Chosen by God for full and final salvation

1:3-12 God's gift of final salvation

1:13-2:3 God's calling to a holy lifestyle

2:4-10 God's choice of a special people

2:11-4:19 Honorable behavior in the midst of suffering

2:11-25 Submission to appropriate legal authorities

3:1-12 Submission/respect in marriage and in the church

3:13-22 Doing good in the midst of suffering

4:1-11 Christlike attitude in the world and in the church

4:12-19 Be happy, do right, trust God

5:1-9

Serving each other in the church

5:10-14 Summary of letters' content and purpose



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MAIN IDEA:

■ Be happy, do right and trust God in your trials because trials are part of God's will for us.

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■ Trials are part of God's will for us

4:13 - 14

■ Be happy in trials because of the assurance that God's glory awaits us

- In the future at Christ's return (vs 13)
- In this life through the Spirit (vs 14)

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4:15 - 16

■ Make sure you are suffering for being a Christian – not for being a jerk!

4:17 - 18

■ Present trials are inevitable for Christians, but certain future and final judgment awaits non-believers

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■ Summary conclusion:

- Accept that trials are part of God's will for us
- Trust God during your trials
 - · He is the sovereign and all-powerful Creator
 - · He will never fail you
- Keep on doing what is right

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Discussion Questions:

- 1. Have you committed to a Bible reading plan for 2009? Share yours with your group.
- 2. Have you committed to a giving plan for 2009? Don't share with your group!
- 3. How would you rank your response to trials in 2008 using verse 18 as a guide? Rank 1 through 10. What key insight / decision / commitment have you made (or are you making) to respond to the trials of 2009 according to verse 18? Discuss.

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12. ASAR FRIENDS,

DON'T BE SURPRIZED AT THE FIERY TRIALS
YOU ARE GOING THROUGH.

AS IF

SOMETHING STANGE WERE HAPPENING TO YOU.

13 INSTEAD,

BE VERY QUAD-

- For

THESE TRIALS MAKE YOU PARTNERS WITH CHRIST IN HIS SUFFERING,

SO THAT

YOU WILL HAVE THE WONDERFUL JOY OF SECING HIS GLORY WHEN IT IS REVEALED TO ALL THE WORLD.

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BE HAPPY

WHEN YOU ARE INSULTED FOR BEING A GHRISTIAN, FOR THEN
THE GLORIOUS START OF GOD RESTS WAN YOU.

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IF YOU SUFFER, HOWEVER, IT MUST NOT BE FOR MURDER, STEALING, MAKING TROUBLE. of PRIME INTO OTHER ROPLES AFFAIRS.

But

IT IS NO SHAME TO SUFFER

FOR BENG A CHRISTIAN.

PRAISE GOD FOR THE PRIVELEGE

OF BEING CALLED BY HIS NAME!

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THE TIME HAS GONE FOR JUDGMENT

AND

IT MUST BEEN WITH GODS HOUSEHOLD.

AND

IF JUDGMENT BEENS WITH US,

WHAT A TERRIBLE FATE AWAITS THOSE

WHO MINE NEVER SYCH

GEDS GOOD MENS.

18. AND ALSO

> IF THE RIGHTEDUS ARE BAKELY SAVED, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO GODLESS SINGIESS?

19. So

IF YOU ARE SUFFERING

IN A NAMER THAT REASE GOD, (ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF GOD)

KEEP ON BOING WHAT IS RIGHT,

AND

TRUST YOU LIVES TO THE GOD

WHO CREATION YOU,

FOR HE WILL NEVER FAIL