SUFFERING WELL

For Pete's Sake September 12, 2023

KEY SCRIPTURES

- <u>1 Peter 4</u>
- 1 Peter 2:24
- Romans 6:6-7, 11
- Proverbs 10:12
- <u>Isaiah 11:2</u>

KEY POINTS

- Peter points us to the mortification side of the cross to arm us against the temptation to go back to the past life in the flesh.
- We are to reckon ourselves dead to sin and alive to Christ.
- Suffering for doing good is within the will of God.
- Love covers sin but love also includes discernment.
- Remembering the Holy Spirit rests upon us during trials is reassuring.
- Hatred stirs up strife and so does meddling.
- "If you want to learn how to love, start with someone you hate." Nikka (6 yrs old)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Are you under a trial? Can you discuss what your temptation is?
- 2. How does Isaiah 11:2 help while going through a trial?
- 3. Peter frames the gifts into two categories: serving and speaking. Which category do yours fall into? How are you able to use them to glorify God?
- 4. Please pray for each other's needs.