

**TRUTH FROM AN OLD  
FISHERMAN #8:  
BASIC - *AND ADVANCED* -  
SUFFERING PART 1**

**Text: 1 Peter 3**

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**1. Ask God to Help You Develop  
Godly Attributes to Prepare You  
for Your Certain Suffering  
(*1 Peter 3:8*)**

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**1 Peter 3:8 Finally, all of you, have  
unity of mind, sympathy,  
brotherly love, a tender heart,  
and a humble mind.**

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**2. Resisting Worldly (and  
Personal) Evil is a Must!**  
***(3:9-12)***

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**3:9 Do not repay evil for evil or  
reviling for reviling, but on the  
contrary, bless, for to this you were  
called, that you may obtain a  
blessing.**

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**<sup>10</sup> For “Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit;**

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**11 let him turn away from  
evil and do good; let him  
seek peace and pursue it.**

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**<sup>12</sup> For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”**



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**3. True Christians are Blessed(!) if They Suffer for Righteousness (Your Christian Behavior and Testimony)...and Be Ready to Always(!) Provide a “Defense” for the Gospel’s Impact on Your Life (3:13-17)**

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**3:13 Now who is there to  
harm you if you are  
zealous for what is good?**

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**14 But even if you should  
suffer for righteousness' sake,  
you will be blessed. Have no  
fear of them, nor be troubled,**

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**15 but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,**

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**16** **having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.**

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**17 For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.**



Consider it pure joy, my  
brothers, whenever you face  
trials of many kinds, because  
you know that the testing of  
your faith develops  
perseverance.

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James 1:2-3