

1 PETER 4:14-19

¹⁴ *If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.* ¹⁵ *But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler.* ¹⁶ *Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.* ¹⁷ *For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?* ¹⁸ *And*

“If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹ *Therefore let those who suffer according to God’s will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.*

SERMON REFLECTIONS

KIDS

1. What are some examples of word-based suffering? Why do you think the name of Christ leads people to insult Christians? How should we respond to word-based suffering?

STUDENTS

2. Have you ever experienced shame about being a Christian? What brought about that feeling? How did you handle it?
3. What are the two things that God’s judgment does?

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4. How does the second coming of Christ relate to God’s judgment? What aspects of God’s judgment are carried out at Christ’s second coming?
5. How does God’s judgment and the second coming of Christ shape how we ought to live? What might it look like for a believer to trust God and do good?