

## **I. AS EXILES IN THE WORLD, WE ARE CALLED TO GOOD CONDUCT (1 PETER 3:13)**

A. Doing good is a major concept in 1 Peter

1. Our good conduct is distinct from the world (**1 Peter 1:14-17; 1 Peter 4:2-3**)
2. Our good conduct comes from being born again (**1 Peter 1:22-2:1; 1 John 3:14**)
3. Our good conduct silences and shames unbelievers (**1 Peter 2:11-12; 1 Peter 3:17**)

B. What is the good conduct Peter refers to?

1. We should not conform to sinful passions (**1 Peter 1:14; 1 Peter 2:11; 1 Peter 2:1; Colossians 3:5-11**)
2. We should be honorable, endure unjust suffering, the kinds of people who follow Jesus' example (**1 Peter 2:17; 1 Peter 2:19-20; 1 Peter 1:22; 1 Peter 4:8; 1 Peter 3:8-9**)
3. We should be self-controlled, sober-minded, and hopeful (**1 Peter 1:13; 1 Peter 4:7**)

C. Actively obeying God with our good conduct is motivated by the blessing of God (**1 Peter 3:9-12**)

## **II. BLESSED ARE YOU WHO SUFFER FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS' SAKE (1 PETER 3:14)**

- A. We must make sure our suffering is truly for righteousness' sake (**1 Peter 4:14-16; Matthew 5:10-12**)
- B. The blessing (favor) of God invites suffering (**1 Peter 4:14; 1 Peter 2:12, 15; John 15:18-19; John 16:1-3; 1 Peter 2:22-23**)
- C. Whatever suffering we experience for the sake of righteousness is according to God's will (**1 Peter 4:19**) and for our good (**1 Peter 1:6-7; 2 Corinthians 4:17-18**)

## SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. What are some examples of how good conduct by Christians is different from the conduct of those who don't believe in Jesus?

2. What does it mean to suffer for righteousness' sake? How can we know if our suffering is for the sake of righteousness or not?

3. How is God's blessing (favor) simultaneously a motivation for obedience and an invitation for suffering?

## ATTRIBUTES OF GOD I HEARD *(CIRCLE THE ONES MENTIONED)*

Good	Wise	Wrathful	Merciful
Just	Jealous	Faithful	Perfect
Holy	Gracious	Patient	Love
Other:			

## KEY WORDS *(WRITE WHAT THESE WORDS MEAN)*

Sinful passions –

Sober-minded –

## NOTES OR DRAWINGS ABOUT WHAT I HEARD