

# SUFFER WELL

A FIELD GUIDE FROM  
1ST & 2ND PETER

## SERIES OVERVIEW

Suffering is a natural consequence of surrender. As we surrender in greater ways to the Lordship of Jesus, we should expect persecution and difficulty especially as we find ourselves living in a negative world. 1st Peter encourages believers to persevere faithfully in light of their present hope and future salvation.

## 2 PETER OVERVIEW

For a summary, timeline, background, message and purpose of 2nd Peter, go to your [Suffer Well Field Guide page 47](#).

- [Watch Overview](#) (Watch as a group)

## CONTEXT

In 2 Peter 1:1-4, Peter addresses believers who have received faith by the righteousness of Jesus Christ, blessing them with grace and peace through the knowledge of God. He emphasizes that through divine power and promises, believers can partake in the divine nature and escape worldly corruption.

## THE BIG IDEA

God doesn't save us and leave us on our own. He provides everything we need to live a life of Godliness through the person and power of Jesus

# WEEKLY STUDY GUIDE

## Week 12: Everything We Need

### SCRIPTURE: 2 Peter 1:1-4

1 Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

2 May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

3 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, 4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

### ICEBREAKER

Let's have some fun... Share a time from your middle school, high school or college days when God didn't give you what you wanted and/or what you were praying for. (think relationships, jobs, sports, car, etc)

## COME AS A GROUP



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### GROUP DISCUSSION

Read through the Introduction of 2 Peter on page 47 of your Suffering Well Field Guide.

Refer to your notes in your Suffer Well Field Guide, what is one thing that stood out to you from the sermon and why do you think God wants you to remember this truth?

Read 2 Peter 1:1-4.

In reference to verses 2-3, the point was made, "Knowledge is more than information. It is experience." Discuss how your experience with Jesus impacts your faith as opposed to just knowing info about Him. What kind of faith does having only information about Jesus and no experience of His grace and peace produce?

How does God back up His promises with provision according to the sermon and this passage of scripture? Share a story from your life where God backed up a promise with His provision.

What are some of the "precious and very great promises" (vs 4) God has made to us? How have you experienced His provision in your life?.

In the sermon, the point was made that "Jesus is enough because Jesus is eternal." Do you truly believe that Jesus is enough? Share a time when nothing or no one else could help you and Jesus came through and He was enough. What other attributes of Jesus make him enough?

**Deeper Community:** Share a time when you received what you needed from God but not necessarily what you requested. How did this experience shape your faith?

### PRAYER (In gender based groups)

\*Share praises, answered prayers, and prayer requests.

\*Share praises and answered prayers from Easter especially concerning your ONE or someone you invited who showed up and heard the Gospel.

### Closing Prayer (together as a group)

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the faith we have received through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ. May Your grace and peace be multiplied in our lives as we grow in the knowledge of You and partake in Your divine nature, escaping the corruption in this world caused by sinful desires. In Jesus name, Amen.