

Ministry of Grace Church

1 Peter 3:14-22 - Listener Notes



Notes

- A. Even if we should suffer for doing what is right, then we are still extremely fortunate.
 - B. Our hope, and the fear of God which goes along with it, should be so evident in our lives, especially when we are suffering for doing what is right, that others will want to know how we can keep such an attitude in the midst of our suffering. We should follow Jesus's example of doing what God wants us to do, instead of doing what we want to do.
- Food for thought:** Sometimes God chooses to have us suffer even when we are doing what we know is right.
- C. Peter is saying that Christ proclaimed to the spirits who are currently in prison, but the proclaiming occurred in the time of Noah.
 - D. There is absolutely no basis for the notion of purgatory in Peter's writing ... or anywhere else in the entire Bible.
 - E. Peter is saying that baptism is like the building of the ark; it is an act of obedience that demonstrates something which already occurred (faith unto salvation). The act of obedience is not the saving thing itself, just the evidence.
 - F. Peter has been telling us that we need to be patient under suffering especially if it is the result of us being obedient to God. if we behave the way God's children should, there is no permanent badness that can be done to us!