



THE GOSPEL IN LIFE

INTRODUCTION:

Have you experienced suffering for your beliefs? How so? What brings you encouragement in those times?

TAKE A LOOK AT THE BOOK:

Why would unconditional love bring ridicule from the world around us?

What are character traits that God has refined in you through suffering?

Read 1 Peter 2:21-25

In what ways did Jesus suffer? What is your response to that? What can we learn from His suffering?

Read 3:18 and 1:3-9

How does what Christ has done for you for eternity change your perspective on your present suffering?

Read 4:12-16

How do you interpret v. 12? In Christ are we promised an easy life?

How is Christ's glory revealed in our suffering?

How do we entrust our souls to our Creator in v. 19?

TAKE IT HOME:

What are some attitudes in suffering that might not be godly? How can we prepare ourselves before trials come so we have a proper attitude in suffering?

Is anyone among you going through a fiery trial? If so spend some time praying over them as a group. Process ways in which the group can help.