



# REJOICING THROUGH TESTED

A CONSCIOUSNESS OF GOD

1 PETER 2:13-25



# REJOICING THOUGH TESTED – **MOTIVE**

- **CHOSEN**
- **BORN AGAIN TO A LIVING HOPE**
- **AN INHERITANCE RESERVED IN HEAVEN**
- **TESTED TO PROVE THE GENUINENESS OF YOUR FAITH**
- **SALVATION OF YOUR SOULS**

# REJOICING THOUGH TESTED – METHOD

- **GET YOUR MIND RIGHT**
- **GET SERIOUS**
- **FOCUS COMPLETELY ON JESUS' RETURN**

# REJOICING THOUGH TESTED - MEANS

**1. BE HOLY**

**2. LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

**3. SUFFER TRIALS AS A CHRISTIAN**

# REJOICING THOUGH TESTED

- **BE HOLY**
  - **HOW TO BE LIKE THE ONE WHO CALLED US**
- **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**
  - **INSTRUCTIONS FOR OUR VARIOUS RELATIONSHIPS**
- **SUFFER TRIALS AS A CHRISTIAN**
  - **CHRIST IS OUR EXAMPLE**

# **CHAPTER 2** INTO HIS MARVELOUS LIGHT (1 PETER 2:1-12)

- **BE HOLY: PUTTING ASIDE (1)**
- **BE HOLY: GROW BY THE WORD (2-3)**
- **BE HOLY: COME TO THE LIVING STONE (4-10)**
- **BE HOLY: ABSTAIN FROM FLESHLY LUSTS (11)**
- **BE HOLY: KEEP YOUR BEHAVIOR EXCELLENT (12)**

# **LOVE ONE ANOTHER: SUBMIT (13-15)**

- **TO GOVERNMENT**
  - **FOR THE LORD'S SAKE (ACTS 4:19; 5:29)**
- **AS SENT BY HIM (ROM. 13:1-2)**
  - **TO PUNISH THE EVILDOER**
  - **PRAISE THOSE WHO DO RIGHT**
  - **IT IS THE WILL OF GOD (15)**
  - **IT WILL SILENCE FOOLISH MEN**



# **LOVE ONE ANOTHER: SUBMIT (16-17)**

- **YOU ARE FREE**
  - **TO BE SLAVES**
- **HONOR ALL MEN**
  - **EVEN THE KING**
- **LOVE THE BROTHERHOOD**
- **FEAR GOD**

# **LOVE ONE ANOTHER: SUBMIT (18-20)**

- **TO THE BOSS**
  - **EVEN THE BAD/INCONSIDERATE/HARSH/UNFAIR/TYRANNICAL ONES**
- **THIS FINDS FAVOR WITH GOD**
  - **BEAR UNJUST SUFFERING BECAUSE OF OUR “CONSCIOUSNESS OF GOD” (CSB)**
  - **DO WHAT IS RIGHT AND SUFFER (20)**
- **NO CREDIT FOR SUFFERING FOR OUR OWN SINS**

# **SUFFER TRIALS: LIKE CHRIST (21-23)**

- **CALLED FOR THIS PURPOSE**
  - **AN “EXAMPLE”**
  - **FOLLOW IN HIS FOOTSTEPS**
- **HE COMMITTED NO SIN**
  - **HE DIDN'T RANT OR THREATEN**
  - **HE TRUSTED GOD TO JUDGE RIGHTEOUSLY**

# **SUFFER TRIALS: LIKE CHRIST (24-25)**

- **HE BORE OUR SINS**
  - **THAT WE MIGHT LIVE**
  - **THAT WE COULD BE HEALED**
  - **SO WE COULD RETURN TO GOD**

