I Peter 2:19-26 Suffering in Sanctification

I. The Concept: Godly Suffering. 19.
A. Godly suffering is an opportunity to demonstrate God’s grace.
   For this is thankworthy
B. It is our choice whether or not to take the opportunity. if a man
C. The strength of your conscience will make the choice for you.
   for conscience
D. Your relationship with God will determine the strength of your conscience.
   toward God
E. Endurance in Godly Suffering is what brings victory. endure
F. Sorrow is an integral element of Godly suffering. grief
G. Godly suffering always includes apparent injustice.
   suffering wrongfully

II. The Contrast: Godly Suffering vs. Deserved Suffering. 20.
A. Deserved Suffering. 20a.
   1. Brings no opportunity to test your strength. For what glory is it
   2. Is painful and embarrassing. if, when ye be buffeted
   3. Is self-induced. for your faults
   4. The best response to deserved suffering is, at best, what everyone expects of you. ye shall take it patiently?
B. Godly Suffering. 20b.
   1. Is a noteworthy test, but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it
   2. Requires the same response, but demands much greater grace. ye take it patiently
   3. Is of great value to God. this is acceptable with God.
   4. Is an experience of grace. this is acceptable with God.

The sentence of sin will never again be on the believer.
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