

## SUNDAY MORNING

LIVING IN THE LIONS' DEN

11/7/2021

29<sup>th</sup> message in the series: **Shepherding Scattered Sheep**

Text: 1 Peter 4:12

Theme: Understanding how God uses our trials to reveal our faith.

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Consider Paul's teaching on God's perspective regarding trials: 1 Peter 4:1, 12, 17; 1:6, 7

V. 17 that judgment speaks of severe judgment that determines character

✝ I am convinced that most of our trials are about **polishing**, not punishing; **cleaning** not chastening

Biblical truths that we can't lose focus of when going through and living in trials:

God loves you with an everlasting love

Life doesn't seem fair does it? Life isn't meant to be the same for everyone.

**How do you measure trials one against another? Can you really compare the trials of one person to the trials of another person's life?**

Consider with me these key passages: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Acts 20:22-24; Hebrews 11:32-37

Trials give us an opportunity to reveal our faith

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**Rom 8:18** For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

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