

The Cross-Bearing Life:
Normative Biblical Christianity
1 Peter 5:10-11

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1. The Cross-bearing life is inevitable
1 Peter 5:10a, 2 Tim. 3:10-12

2. The Cross-bearing life is brief
1 Peter 5:10b, 2 Cor. 4:16-18

3. The Cross-bearing life is met with sufficient grace
1 Peter 5:10c, 2 Cor. 12:8-10, Matt. 10:19-22

4. The Cross-bearing life identified us with Christ
1 Peter 5:10d
 - 1st - Call to Fellowship
1 Cor. 1:9

 - 2nd - Call to Conformity
Rom. 8:28-29

 - 3rd - Call to Suffering
1 Peter 2:21

 - 4th - Call to Glory
2 Peter 1:3

5. The Cross-bearing life is spiritually progressive
1 Peter 5:10, 1 Thess. 4:16
Restore (perfect), confirm, strengthen, establish