

## Song of Suffering

1 Peter 2:21-25

1. You were \_\_\_\_\_ to this (v. 21, 25)
  - a. You were being led \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Now you were \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. Upon the \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Upon the \_\_\_\_\_
2. You should follow the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 21-23)
  - a. No \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. No \_\_\_\_\_ in His mouth
  - c. No \_\_\_\_\_ reviling
  - d. No \_\_\_\_\_ while suffering
3. You should follow in His \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 23-24)
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ Himself to the Just Judge
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ our sins in His body
    - i. That we should \_\_\_\_\_ to sin
    - ii. That we should live to \_\_\_\_\_
    - iii. That we should be \_\_\_\_\_ by stripes

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“For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

(John 10:17-18)

## For Further Study

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#### ***What does Peter mean when he writes “to this you were called?”***

***Read John 16:1-4; Romans 8:16-17; Matthew 10:16-25.***

1. Was it, in context, to the slaves who might have crooked masters and be forced to suffer unjustly?
2. Was it for believers to seek suffering to prove their faith?
3. Was it simply an acknowledgment that all believers either will or may suffer for the sake of Christ?

#### ***What is the first comfort for the suffering believer?***

***Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-19; John 10:14-16.***

1. 1 Peter 2:25 claims what turn of events in the life of a believer?
2. What titles are given for Christ in this verse and how does that comfort the believer in times of suffering?

#### ***The suffering of Jesus serves as an example for the believer.***

***Read 1 Corinthians 11:1; Ephesians 5:1-2; 1 Thess. 1:6-10.***

1. In what ways are we unable to follow Christ’s example?
2. In what ways can we follow Christ’s example?  
(Consider, for example, Genesis 18:25; Revelation 19:1-2.)
3. In what ways can we specifically follow Christ’s example in the context of suffering unjustly?

#### ***How should the truth of the atonement both change us and bring us encouragement? Read Isaiah 53:3-12.***

1. What exactly does verse 24 teach us about our sin?
2. What does it mean to be “healed” by his wounds?
3. The phrase “that we might die to sin and live to righteousness” is the key verse for the catechism question on sanctification. First, we \_\_\_\_\_ to sin. What does that mean? Then, we \_\_\_\_\_ to righteousness!