Considering Suffering and Glory Romans 8:18 September 4, 2022

Why do we need a theology of suffering?

We need an eternal perspective.

Our Present Sufferings

Is this only suffering because I am a Christian?

Living in a fallen world, we will suffer.

Persecution, then and now.

But there are other forms of Christian suffering.

Picture a scale.

The Glory to be Revealed to Us

This is the glory promised to all who live for Christ; God's sons and daughters.

This is heaven, glory. Words fail to capture it.

How do you define glory?

We not only observe, or witness this glory - we participate in it.

Two bricklayers were building a wall.

For I Consider

Logically deduce, rationally conclude. To reckon.

You must have the tools to think like a Christian.

Lloyd-Jones, "The business of preaching is to teach you to think."

The scale doesn't move.

Load your minds with biblical truth. Read the Newspaper from Heaven!

Expect suffering, hardship and trial. Budget for it.

Remember promised glory and let that scenic view put things in perspective.