

Study Questions

1 Peter 3:13-16

1. **Read 1 Peter 3:13-16.** Peter asks a question in v. 13: *“Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?”* What is the answer to his question? **Hint:** Be sure to consider verses 14, 16, 17, 18.

2. According to the following verses, in what ways does God interact with us when we suffer?

2 Corinthians 1:3-5

Hebrews 12:7

3. What is the relationship between what we now suffer, and the future that awaits us?

Romans 8:18

1 Peter 5:10

4. We are encouraged in 1 Peter 3:15 to be “ready to give a reason for the hope that we have”. If it is true (and it is) that our hope is a “solid and settled assurance in the outcome of a situation,” then what is the reason for this hope?

5. In these verses, Peter gives several guidelines for sharing our hope with others. List each guideline you find in verses 15-16, and the reason it would be important to follow.

6. What makes a gentle and respectful person an effective witness? (v.15)

7. **Read Romans 8:18-39**, noticing all of the wonderful promises that are yours as a believer.

8. What role does a close circle of Christian friends play in our ability to endure suffering?

9. What are some ways that you can prepare yourself for the suffering that God may allow in your life?