

# The Blessings of Suffering for Christ

1 Peter 3:13-17

Apostolic Preparation

Introduction:

- Entering the “Last Stage” of the “Last Days” (?)
- Increasing **apostasy** in the church
- Pastor Steve Gallagher:
- Learning from an expert: Acts 4

I. A “Rhetorical” \_\_\_\_\_: 3:13A

II. An “Exception” to be \_\_\_\_\_: 3:13b-16

- Consider yourself \_\_\_\_\_:
- Refrain from worry & \_\_\_\_\_:
- Acknowledge Christ as \_\_\_\_\_:
- Always be \_\_\_\_\_:
- Keep your conscience \_\_\_\_\_:

III. A \_\_\_\_\_ way: 3:17

**NOTE:** The call for serious self-examination!