

# The Blessings of Suffering for Christ

## 1 Peter 4:1-6

### Contrasting "Christianity"

#### Introduction:

- Peter – The "Seasoned" Apostle
- Preaching – The Expository Method
- Preferences – The options we like.

#### I. A "Mini-Theology" of SUFFERING

- A Purpose: \_\_\_\_\_
- General Expectation: "Normal"  
(Acts 14:22/ Romans 8:17/ Phil. 1:27-30/Heb. 11:25)
- Today's "Christianity"

#### II. A Purpose of Christ's Suffering – 1 Peter 3:18

- To being the "Elect"/ believers to God
- "Foolishness"
- "Walking by faith rather than by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7)

#### III. A \_\_\_\_\_ from Christ's Suffering: 4:1-4

- A plea for a much different \_\_\_\_\_
- A call for \_\_\_\_\_
- An aid for our \_\_\_\_\_
- A help with our LIFE-\_\_\_\_\_
- An explanation of your former \_\_\_\_\_

#### IV. The \_\_\_\_\_ Judge – 4:5-6