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1 Peter 4:12-19

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**I. Rejoice In Suffering
Because Suffering Is Not
a Surprise But a Plan**

Job 23:10

*But He knows the way I take;
When He has tried me, I shall
come forth as gold.*

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**II. Rejoice In Suffering
Because Suffering Brings
Evidence of Our Union
With Christ.**

*This union with Christ is the most
beautiful subject in the Christian
life. It means that I am not a
lone fighter here: I am an
extension of Jesus Christ. When
I was beaten in Romania, He
suffered in my body. It is not my
suffering: I only had the honor to
share His sufferings*

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Matthew 5:11-12

*Blessed are you when men cast
insults at you, and persecute you,
and say all kinds of evil against you
falsely, on account of Me. Rejoice,
and be glad, for your reward in
heaven is great, for so they
persecuted the prophets who were
before you.*

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**III. Rejoice In Suffering
Because Great Will Be
Our Rejoicing In
Eternity.**

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken (v. 1)

Jesus I my cross have taken
All to leave and follow Thee
Destitute, despised, forsaken
Thou from hence my all shalt be
Perish every fond ambition
All I've sought or hoped or known
Yet how rich is my condition
God and heaven are still my own

(v. 2)

Go then earthly fame and treasure
Come disaster, scorn and pain
In Thy service pain is pleasure
With Thy favor loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father
I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl and clouds may
gather
All must work for good to me

(v. 3)

Haste thee on from grace to glory
Armed by faith and winged by prayer
Heaven's eternal day's before Thee
God's own hand shall guide thee there
Soon shall close thy earthly mission
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days
Hope shall change to glad fruition
Faith to sight and prayer to praise

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**IV. Rejoice In Suffering
Because The Spirit of
Glory and of God Rests
Upon us.**

The word "**rests**" means "to give
relief, refreshment, intermission
from toil."

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**V. Rejoice In Suffering
Because This Glorifies
God.**

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**VI. Rejoice In Suffering
Because Our Faithful
Creator Will Care for Our
Souls.**

Romans 8:38-39

*For I am convinced that neither
death, nor life, nor angels, nor
principalities, nor things present, nor
things to come, nor powers, nor
height, nor depth, nor any other
created thing, shall be able to
separate us from the love of God,
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

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