# "Our Suffering Saviour" 1 Peter 3:18-22 A Living Hope

### Five Main points tonight in Regards to...Our Suffering Savior

- 1) The Reality of His Suffering
- 2) The Reason for His Suffering
- 3) The Result of His Suffering
- 4) The Retribution for His Suffering
- 5) The Reward for His Suffering

- 1) The Reality of His Suffering
  - a) He Knows what it is like to Suffer
  - b) We have Fellowship with Him in Suffering (Phil. 3:10)
  - c) We can be Certain He is with us (Psalm 23)

- 2) The Reason for His Suffering vs. 18
  - 1) We were Dead in our sins Rom. 6:23
  - 2) We were without Hope
  - 3) We had no Ability to save ourselves Eph. 2:1-9

- 3) The Result of His Suffering
  - 1) Redemption (Eph. 1:7)
  - 2) Cleansing (1<sup>st</sup> Jn. 1:7)
  - 3) Forgiveness (Col. 1:13-14; 1<sup>st</sup> Jn. 1:9)

- 3) The Result of His Suffering (Cont.)
  - 4) Reconciliation (Col. 1:19-22)
  - 5) Adoption (Gal. 4:4-7)
  - 6) <u>Justification (Rom. 3:24-26)</u>

- 3) The Result of His Suffering (Cont.)
  - 7) Sanctification
    - a) Positional Sanctification
    - b) Practical Sanctification
    - c) Perfect Sanctification

## 4) The Retribution for His Suffering vs. 19-21

- 5) The Reward for His Suffering vs. 22
  - 1) He went to Heaven...Back Home!
  - 2) He was given THE PLACE of Honor
  - 3) He was given Authority over ALL creation (Eph. 1:20-22; Phil. 2:8-11)

#### **Application Factor**

- 1) The Reality of Suffering
- 2) The Reason for Suffering

#### **Application Factor (Cont.)**

- 3) The Result of Suffering
  - a) To be an Example of Christ
  - b) To be able to Identify with the Unsaved
  - c) To be able to bring them to God

#### **Application Factor (Cont.)**

4) The Reward in Suffering - (Rev. 21:1-7)

#### Rev. 21:1-7 (NKJV)

- 1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.
- 2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

#### Rev. 21:1-7 (NKJV)

- 3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God.
- 4 "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

#### Rev. 21:1-7 (NKJV)

- 5 Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."
- 6 And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.
- 7 "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

