

# SERMON NOTES

PURPOSE IN PAIN

1 PETER 5:1-14

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## Overview of the Epistle of 1 Peter

- Peter writes to the Christians in Asia Minor, reminding them to remain faithful even in the midst of suffering and persecution.
- Though suffering is hard, being faithful through suffering...
  - Identifies us with Christ (2:21; 3:18)
  - Shames evil people who instigate persecution (3:16)
  - Confirms one's faith in Christ as genuine (1:6-7; 4:17-19)

## In the midst of suffering, the Christian should...

1. Be humble (5:1-7)

"But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand?'" – Exodus 32:11

"You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm..." – Deuteronomy 5:15

"And now, O Lord our God, who brought your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for yourself, as at this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly." – Daniel 9:15

2. Be watchful (5:8-9)

3. Be ready (5:10-11)