

Lurge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. 2 Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. 3 This is good and pleases God our Savior, 4 who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth. 1 Timothy 2:1-4

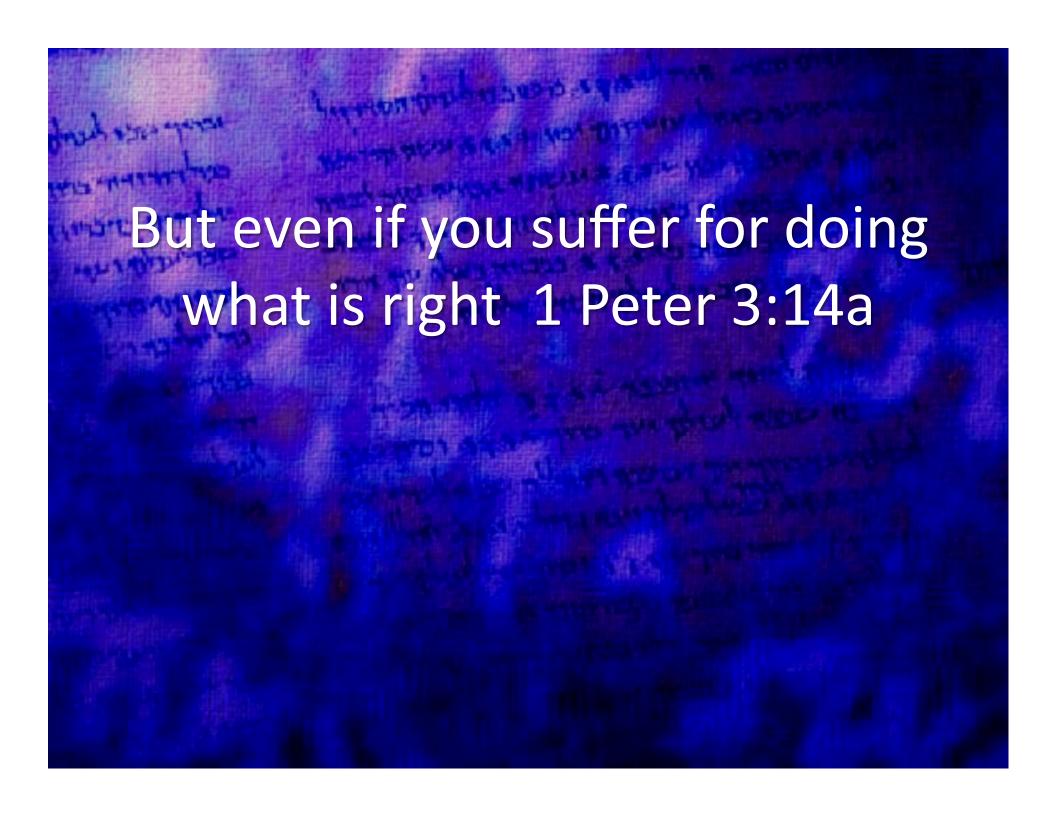
Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. 12 For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:11,12

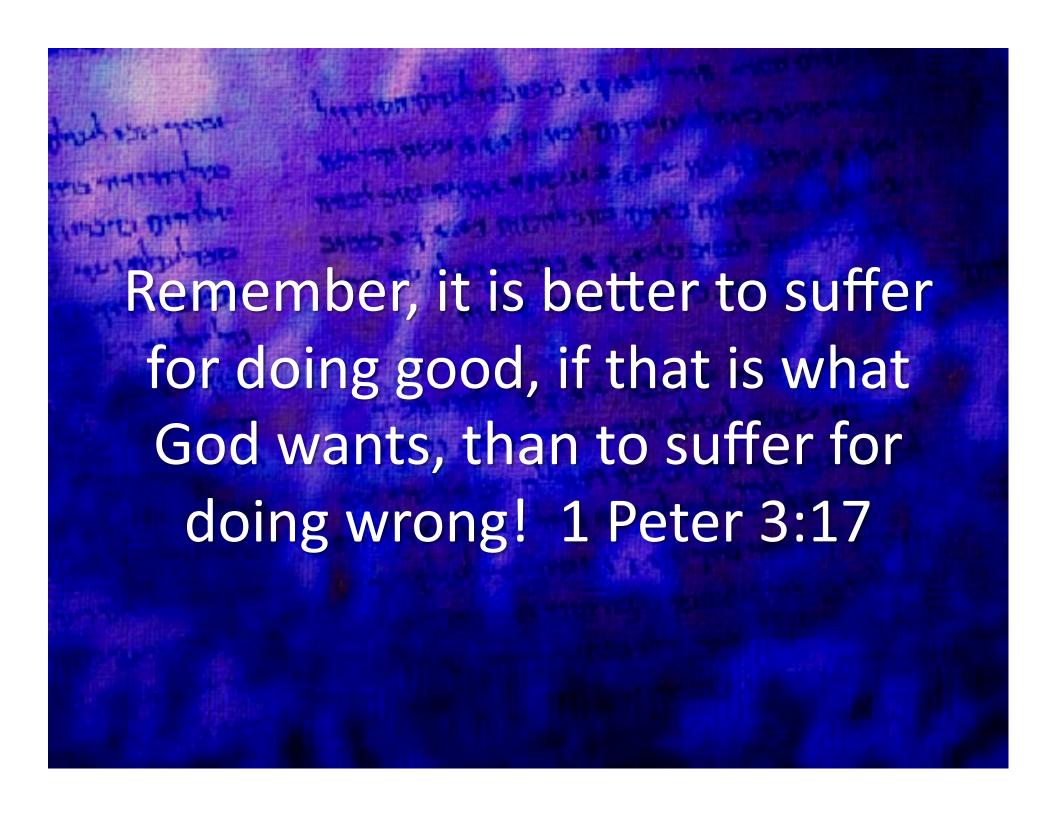


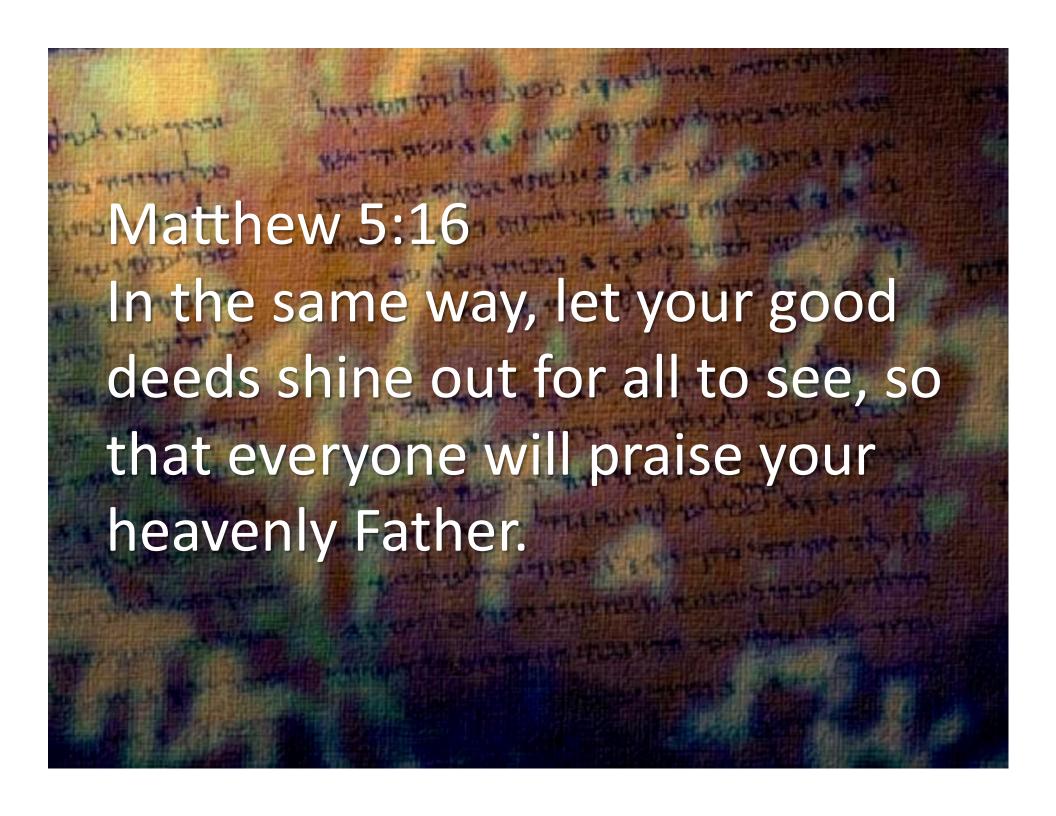
# I. A PICTURE OF Practicality

Now, who will want to harm you if you are eager to do good?

1 Peter 3:13







#### II. A PICTURE OF Perseverance.

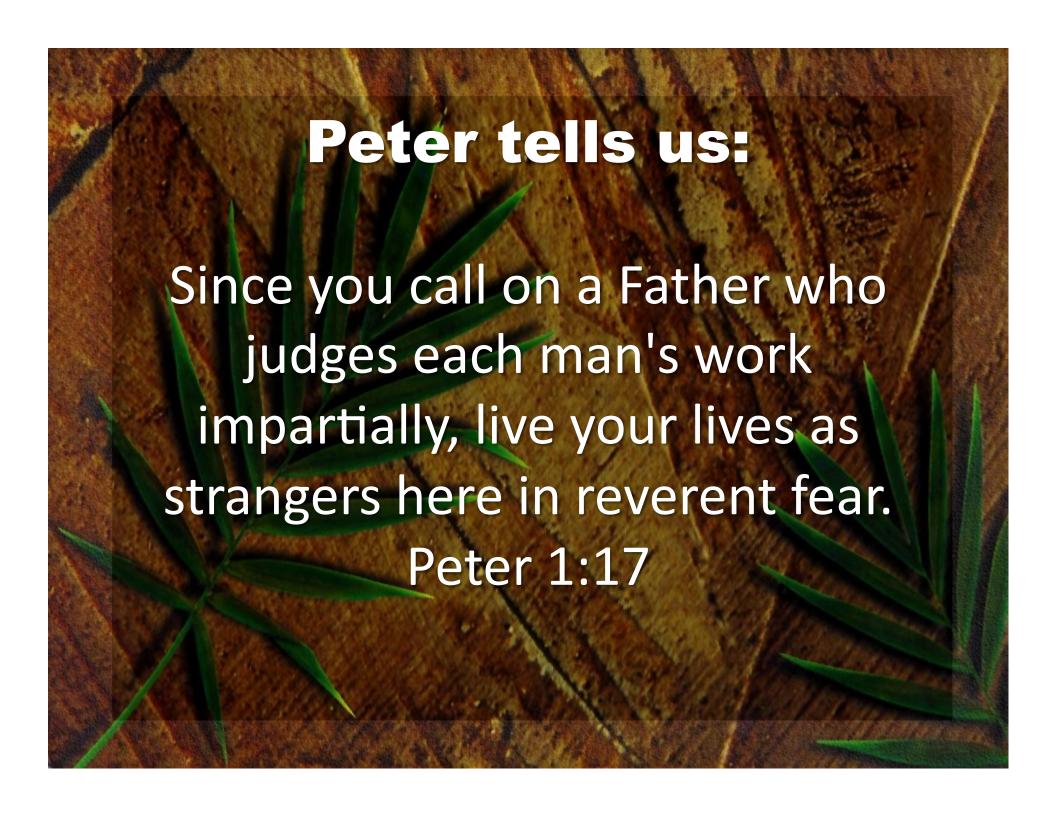
But even if you suffer for doing what is right, God will reward you for it. So don't be afraid and don't worry.

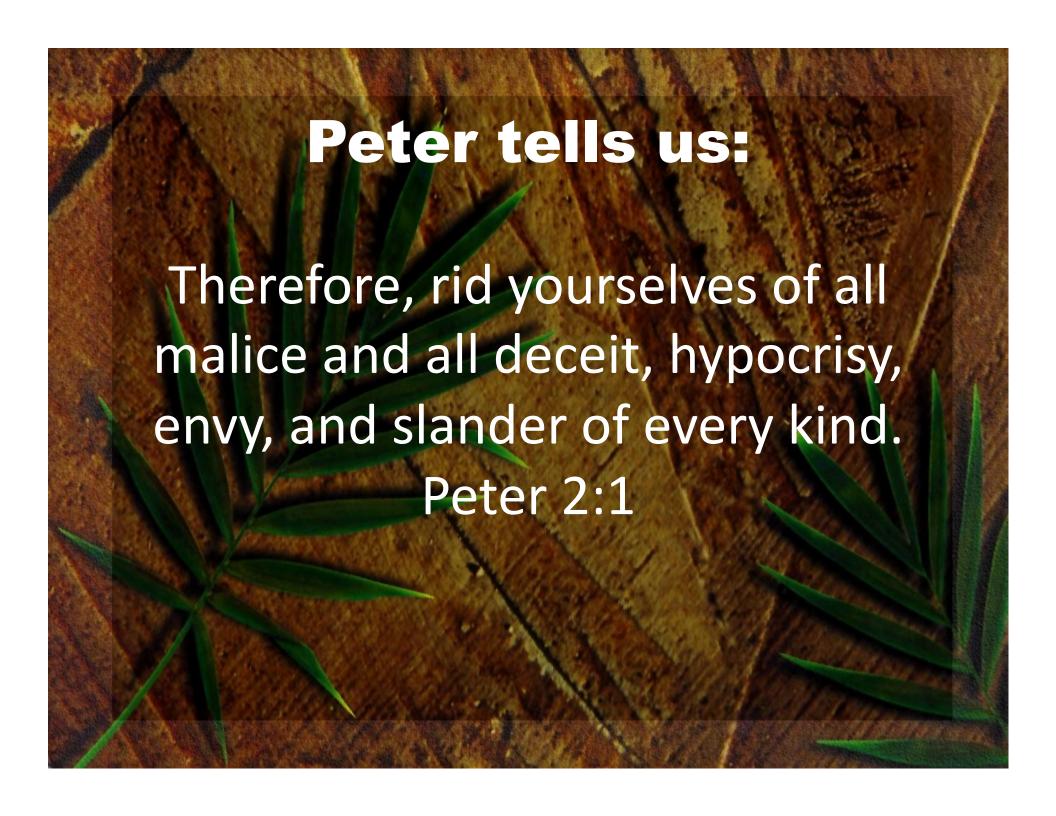
1 Peter 3:14





Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; ... 14As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. 1 Peter 1:13,14





Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. 12Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us. 1 Peter 2:11, 12

Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God. 17Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honor the king. 1 Peter 2:16,17

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. 9Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, ... 1 Peter 3:8,9

# III. A PICTURE OF Prioritizing

Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. 1 Peter 3:15a



"Surely you must realize what I and the other kings of Assyria before me have done to all the people of the earth! Were any of the gods of those nations able to rescue their people from my power? 14 Name just one time when any god, anywhere, was able to rescue his people from me! What makes you think your God can do any better? 15 Don't let Hezekiah fool you! Don't let him deceive you like this! I say it again —no god of any nation has ever yet been able to rescue his people from me or my ancestors. How much less will your God rescue you from my power!" 2 Chronicles 32

"It is true, LORD, that the kings of Assyria have destroyed all these nations, just as the message says. 18 And they have thrown the gods of these nations into the fire and burned them.---- But of course the Assyrians could destroy them! They were not gods at all—only idols of wood and stone shaped by human hands. 19 Now, O LORD our God, rescue us from his power; then all the kingdoms of the earth will know that you alone, O LORD, are God." 2 Kings 19-Hezekiah's prayer

That night the angel of the LORD went out to the Assyrian camp and killed 185,000 Assyrian troops. When the surviving Assyrians woke up the next morning, they found corpses everywhere.

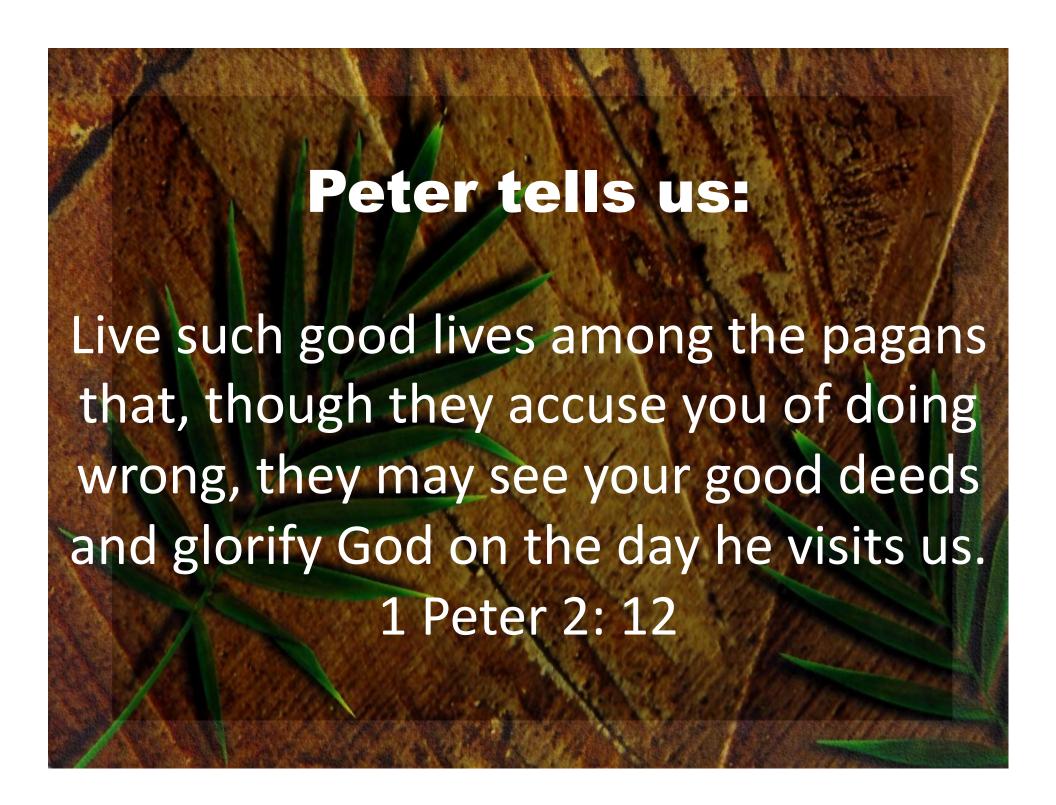


### IV. A PICTURE OF Persuasion.

And if you are asked about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it. 1 Peter 3:15b

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# VI. A PICTURE OF Preservation

Keep your conscience clear. Then if people speak evil against you, they will be ashamed when they see what a good life you live because you belong to Christ. 1Peter 3:16

#### Conscience- Know with

Latin word- (Con)- with

Latin word- (Scio)- to know



## VII. A PICTURE OF Perfection

Christ also suffered when he died for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners that he might bring us safely home to God. He suffered physical death, but he was raised to life in the Spirit. 1 Peter 3:18

