

## God used Christ's undeserved suffering to pay for our sins and bring us to God.

*For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God,... 1 Peter 3:18 (ESV)*

1. Christ understands unjust suffering.
2. Christ's suffering was purposeful.
3. Christ's suffering was powerful.

## God used Christ's undeserved suffering to conquer the fallen spiritual world.

*...being put to death in the flesh but made alive in (by) the spirit (Spirit), in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, ... 1 Peter 3:18–20 (ESV)*

*And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day. Jude 6 (ESV)*

*For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell (Tartus) and committed them to chains (pits) of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment; 2 Peter 2:4 (ESV)*

*When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. Then the Lord said, "My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years." The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown. The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. So the Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord. Genesis 6:1–8 (ESV)*

*if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly; 2 Peter 2:5 (ESV)*

*who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him. 1 Peter 3:22 (ESV)*

*And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities (demonic rulers and authorities) and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him. Colossians 2:13–15 (ESV)*

**An appeal to God for a good conscience through Christ, which is seen in baptism, is the ark that carries me through God's final judgment.**

*Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 1 Peter 3:21 (ESV)*

**Since Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking about suffering in the flesh.**

*Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, ... 1 Peter 4:1 (ESV)*



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From Unjust Suffering?**



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