

Follow Christ's Great Suffering

1 Peter 02:21–25

1 *The great call of believers:
To suffer for Christ
even as He suffered for us*

2 *The great suffering of Christ*

a. He suffered *for you*.

b. He did not deserve to suffer:
He had lived a sinless
and perfect life

c. He voluntarily
and willingly suffered

d. He suffered
to the ultimate degree:
Bore our sins in His body

e. He suffered
that we might live
for righteousness

3 *The great need
that believers have*

a. We were going astray

b. We have now returned

21 To this you were called,
because Christ suffered for you,
leaving you an example,
that you should follow in his steps.

22 “He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

23 When they hurled their insults at him,
he did not retaliate;
when he suffered, he made no threats.
Instead,
he entrusted himself to him
who judges justly.

24 He himself bore our sins
in his body on the tree,
so that we might die to sins
and live for righteousness;
by his wounds you have been healed.

25 For you were like sheep going astray,
but now you have returned
to the Shepherd
and Overseer of your souls.