

WORD OF THE DAY



WORD OF THE DAY (Philippians 1:29)

""For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him."" -

MEDITATE ON THIS (The Privilege of Suffering)



As believers, we often focus on the privileges that come with being a follower of Christ such as eternal life, forgiveness of sins, and the blessings of the Holy Spirit. However, we often shy away from one of the most important privileges that is granted to us, which is the privilege of suffering for Jesus as a display of our love for Him.

Suffering can take many forms such as rejection, persecution, hardship, or physical harm. We live in a world that rejects and even mocks the Gospel, and so it is inevitable that we will encounter suffering as we seek to share the good news of Jesus Christ. But we must remember that suffering is not an unfortunate side effect of following Christ, nor is it a sign of God's disfavor. Rather, it is a privilege and an opportunity to demonstrate our love and devotion to our Savior who suffered and died for us.

As we consider the privilege of suffering for Christ, let us remember that our suffering is never in vain. It is an opportunity to bear witness to the love and grace of our Savior, and a way to deepen our faith and grow closer to Him. May we all have the courage and humility to embrace this privilege, knowing that we serve a God who promises to be with us always, even in the midst of suffering.

-Your brother in Christ, WNL

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Are you exercising all of your privileges as a follower of Christ?

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear Lord, help us to embrace the privilege of suffering for Jesus Christ by trusting in God's sovereignty and goodness. May we refuse to compromise our faith even in the midst of hardship or persecution. Aid us to have the strength to endure, the courage to stand firm, and the grace to forgive those who may cause us harm. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.



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