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IN A FOREIGN LAND

THE LETTER OF FIRST PETER

1 Peter 2:21-25

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²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

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The Reason Christ Died

The gospel does not just change our thinking, but it also transforms our living.

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Romans 8:17

and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

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Our Motivation for Enduring Unjust Suffering:

1. Christ's Substitution vs. 24-25
2. Christ's Illustration vs. 22-23

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Christ's example is to trust God more than your own ability to levy justice for injustice.

Romans 12:19

Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.”²⁰ To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink;

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for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.”²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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The Reason Christ Died

1. The Penalty of Sin

a) Spiritual Death

b) Physical Death

c) God's Wrath/Curse

2. The Power of Sin

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