

A dramatic, dark blue and black stormy sea with a bright lightning bolt striking the water. The text "INTO THE STORM" is overlaid in a bold, dark blue font. The image is framed by a light purple vertical bar on the left and a light green vertical bar on the right.

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Into the Storm

1 Peter 4:12-19

Expect Suffering

1 Peter 4:12 Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

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Exalt Christ in your Suffering

¹³ But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

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Evaluate your Life

¹⁵ If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler. ¹⁶ However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name.

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¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin with God's household; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And, "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

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Entrust yourself to God

¹⁹ So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

2 Timothy 1:12 Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

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Luke 23:46 “Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit.” When he had said this, he breathed his last.

Psalm 31:5 Into your hands I commit my spirit; deliver me, Lord, my faithful God.