

## **EXILES**

# Bold Faith in the Face of Adversity: Trusting Christ's Victory

1 Peter 3:13-22 (page 1016/large print 1205 or 1295) Pastor Matt Kottman January 26, 2025

1. Face Your Fears with Faith (3:13-17)

## 2. Live Assured of Christ's Victory (3:18-22)

## **Questions for Discussion and Application**

#### **Quick Review**

1. Was there anything in the passage that challenged or encouraged you?

2. How did this passage of Scripture help you see Christ better?

#### **Digging Deeper**

1. Peter says we are blessed if we suffer for righteousness (3:14). How does this perspective challenge the way we naturally respond to suffering?

2. Peter instructs believers to always be ready to give a reason for their hope (3:15). What does this look like in everyday life?

3. How can we balance giving an explanation for our hope with doing it "with gentleness and respect"?	<ul><li>Taking It Home</li><li>1. How can you cultivate a readiness to share your faith with gentleness and respect in your daily interactions (3:15)?</li></ul>
4. Peter discusses Christ's suffering (3:18), resurrection (3:18), and ascension (3:19-22). How does he use Jesus' example to encourage believers facing suffering?	2. Are there any areas in your life where you need to make changes to maintain a clear conscience before God and others? How can living with integrity strengthen your witness to those around you?
	3. When you feel discouraged or overwhelmed by trials, how can reflecting on Christ's victory over sin and death give you perspective and encouragement?
	4. How might the assurance of Christ's reign at the right hand of God (3:22) shape your attitude and actions this week?