

## Marks of a fire-proof faith

1 Peter 4:12-19

### A fireproof faith will...

#### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ in Suffering (12-14)

For the Christian, Suffering results in:

**A. Purification** (“to test you...” vs. 12) - This means to test as precious metal is tested and purified in the furnace. It’s talking about a process of purification. See Job 23:10 and Malachi 3:3

**B. Partnership** - (“share in the sufferings of your messiah” vs. 13) Peter uses the koinonia (fellowship) , and it has to do with sharing, it has to do with partnership, a oneness that leads to fellowship. See Philippians 3:10.

**C. Power** - (“you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.” vs. 14) See 2 Corinthians 12:10.

#### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ to be ashamed (15-18)

Explanation -

Verse 16 explains that if “anyone suffers for being a Christian....” The word Christian is found in the New Testament only here and at Acts 11:26 and 26:28; it means ‘follower of Christ’

#### 3. \_\_\_\_\_ completely in God (19)

Entrust - The Greek literally means just be constantly committing. It is a banking term that meant to deposit one’s valuables to another for safe keeping. Paul used the noun when he told Timothy, “I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day” (2 Tim. 1:12). It was the word Jesus uttered from the cross when He expired: “Father, into Your hands I commit [entrust] My spirit” (Luke 23:46).