## HOW CAN WE ENDURE SUFFERING FOR OBEYING JESUS? FINAL ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE SUFFERING SOJOURNER 1PETER 5:10-14

- I. REVIEW: REALIZE OUR ENEMY THE DEVIL SEEKS A SPIRITUALLY

  VULNERABLE BELIEVER TO DEVOUR BUT RESIST HIM, FIRM IN YOUR TRUST

  IN JESUS, knowing successful completion of suffering is the norm for believers (8-9)
- II. <u>RENEW YOUR MIND WITH HIS INCREDIBLY ENCOURAGING PROMISE</u> FOR THE SUFFERING SOJOURNER: After suffering a little while, our gracious God, who called us to His eternal glory, will personally mend, stabilize, strengthen and establish you (10)
  - A. Remember suffering is only temporal: For a little while (10a)
  - B. Remember you have been called to His eternal glory in Christ Jesus (10a)
  - C. Realize our Gracious God will personally mend, stabilize, strengthen and establish you (10b)
    - 1. He is the God of all grace
    - 2. He will personally mend you
    - 3. He will personally stabilize you
    - 4. He will personally strengthen you
    - 5. He will personally establish you
- III. REFOCUS ON THE ONE WHO DESERVES ALL THE GLORY (11)
- IV. <u>LEARN FROM PETER'S FINAL EXHORTATION AND GREETING:</u> Stand firm in God's true grace revealed in His Word (12-14)