

## NOTES & QUOTES



# A NEW DAY **A NEW WAY**

**WEEK 9 - 1 PETER 4:12-19**

## **CONNECT** (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

1. Is there a song that you know absolutely every word to? If so, what is it?
2. What is something in your life you can do without thinking about because you have repeated it so many times?
3. What is one area in your life where trial or struggle seem ongoing without a defined end in sight?

## **THRIVE** (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

4. Read 2 Timothy 3:12, 1 John 3:13 and John 15:18-20. What do these scriptures say about suffering in the life of a follower of Jesus?
5. Read 1 Peter 4:13. What do you think Peter means by “rejoicing” as we participate in the sufferings of Christ, and how do you think it’s connected to being “overjoyed” when his glory is revealed?
6. Read 1 Peter 4:14. What do you think is the relation between being “blessed” and “the Spirit of glory resting on us” when we face persecution or suffering for our faith?

7. Read 1 Peter 4:15-18. What distinctions does Peter make between the suffering God’s children endure versus common human suffering?
8. Read 1 Peter 4:19. As you read that verse, what words jump out to you?

## **COMMIT** (BE ON MISSION)

9. Is there an area in your faith-life that you think God may be testing you to bring about growth? If so, explain.
10. Has God ever used trial or sufferings to teach you more about His character and love? If so, share with your group.
11. Identify one or two areas of current suffering or struggle in your life. Define what it would look like to “commit yourself to God and continue doing good” as you journey through this season.

### **PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY**

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

1 Peter 4:19