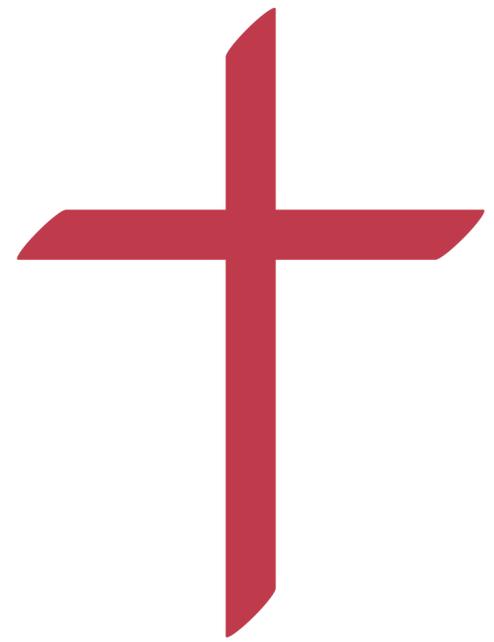


1 Peter 1:3-12  
You Love Him  
...Salvation

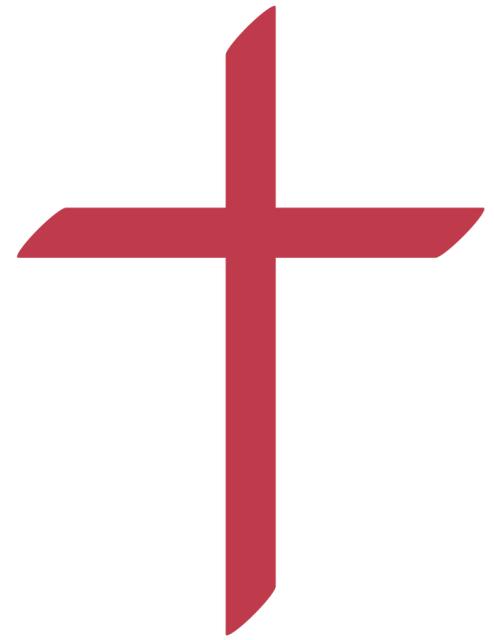


Suffering  
Grace  
Glory



## **Biblical PERSONAL MINISTRY is:**

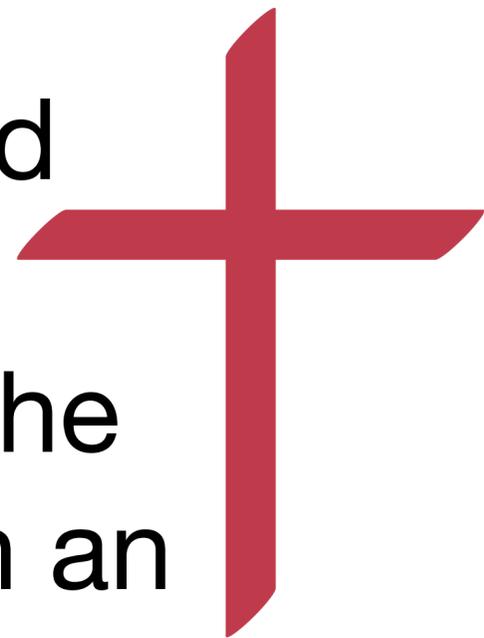
“Living in humble, honest, redemptive community with others, **loving as Christ has loved**, and going beyond casual **to really know people**. It is loving others enough to **speak the truth to them**, helping them to see themselves in the mirror of God’s Word. And it is standing with others, **helping them to do what God has called them to do**. It is basically just a call to biblical friendship.” p. 274 Tripp



## **Perspective:**

1. In Peter's day, followers of Christ were persecuted and killed for their beliefs and their way of life. (church-life)
2. In our western world, we cannot be put to death legally for believing that Jesus is Lord.
3. In parts of our world today, followers of Christ are put to death for believing the Jesus is Lord.

**1 Peter 1:3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be **born again** to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, **4** to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, **5** who are protected **by the power of God through faith** for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

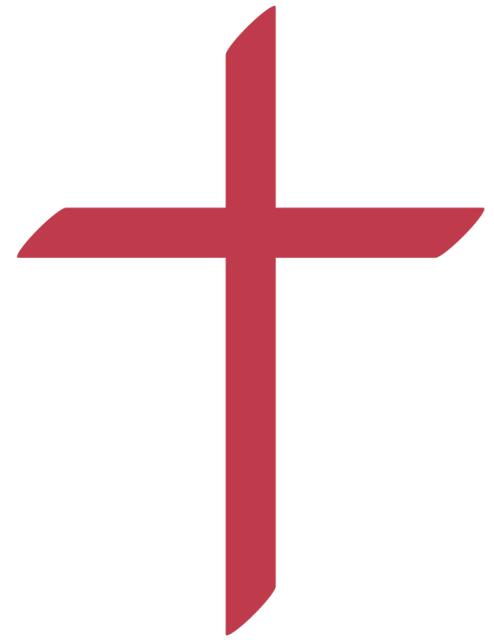


- New birth, new life and new creation are refreshing terms.
- We are helpless in ourselves & are in need of His mercy.
- This living hope connects the resurrection to restored life.
- This inheritance is protected by God's power through faith.



**1 Peter 1:6** In this you greatly **rejoice**, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been **distressed** by various **trials**, **7** so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

- With Jesus, our joy outweighs our temporary trials.
- Trials are an opportunity for our faith to blossom.
- Our faith and our praise are attached to His faithfulness.



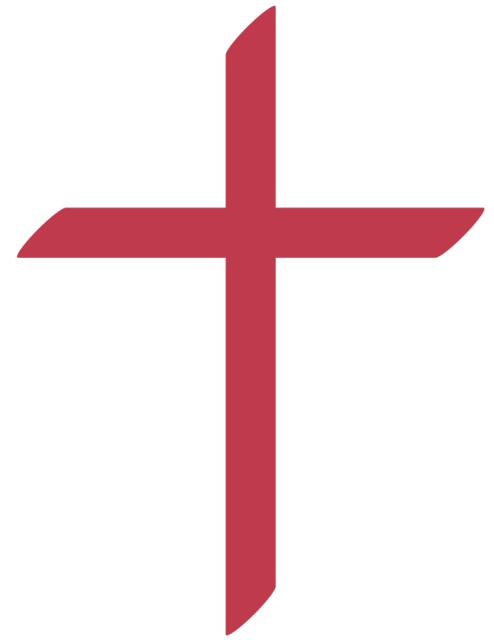
**1 Peter 1:8** and though you have not seen Him, **you love Him**, and though you do not see Him now, but **believe in Him**, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of **glory**, **9** obtaining as the **outcome of your faith** the salvation of your souls.

- Our current response is to love and trust Him.
- We rejoice (because we were created) for His glory.
- What we'll do forever, we are invited to do now.

**1 Peter 1:10** As to this salvation, **the prophets who prophesied of the grace** that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, **11** seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow. **12** It was revealed to them that **they were not serving themselves, but you**, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look.

- Peter will pull from several prophets like Isaiah & Zechariah.
- Even BC writings pointed toward a Suffering Servant Savior.





## Practical Application & Action Steps:

1. People need (the grace of) the Lord Jesus Christ.
2. Salvation is in Christ alone and only for those who repent & believe (*surrender* & faith).
3. Without the Lord, brokenness overcomes blessing.
4. With the Lord, blessing overcomes brokenness.
5. We can praise The King, suffering or not.
6. It is urgent that we *proclaim Christ* in our world.