

Questions for Further Study 25th February 2024 1 Peter 4:12-19

- 1. (v12) How do you feel knowing that there is a high probability that you will be persecuted for your faith? What freedoms do we take for granted in the UK? How can we take advantage of them while we still have them?
- 2. (v13-14) Do you find it easy to rejoice when times are tough? Read Acts 7:54-60. What can we learn from this passage?
- 3. Read Lamentations 3:22-26. Why does the writer put their trust in God? What examples can you share of God's faithfulness to you? Because of this, we are called to do good. (v19) What practical ways might you be a blessing in your world this week? Ask God to show you the people he wants you to connect with.
- 4. CS Lewis wrote, "God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pain: it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world." Have you found this to be true? Why is pain such an effective way of bringing a person's attention to God?
- 5. Read Revelation 3:22. Are you actively listening for God in your daily life? How can we attune ourselves to hear God's voice especially when many of us are so busy? What practises do you find helpful to quiet your heart and really listen? Can you set aside time this week to have an extended period with God? You might find it useful to plan times during this year in your calendars, once a month for example.