## **Christians Are Called to Suffer**

Genesis 3:16-19; John 15:18-20: Colossians 1:24; Philippians 1:12-14; James 1:2-4; 2 Corinthians 12:7

I. Suffering is Part of Living In a Sin-Cursed World
II. We Will Suffer because We are Identified With Christ
III. We Will Suffer In Order to Minister to Others
IV. We Will Suffer As a Means of Spiritual Growth A – Suffering produces humble dependence on the Lord B – Suffering produces spiritual strength and maturity