

# Sermon Outline

## Suffering Well for Righteousness' Sake

1 Peter 3:13-17

I. **Introduction:** The relevancy of this topic for our day

II. **Exposition:**

1. Be zealous for good works (:13; Ps 37:3-6)
  - Keep tongue from speaking evil, pursue peace, and do good (cf :10-12)
2. Know that you are blessed (:14a; 1 Pet 4:13-14; Matt 5:10)
  - Be not afraid (:14b; Is 8:12)
3. Honor Christ as Lord in your heart (:15a; Is 8:13)
  - Being ready to give a defense of the hope within you with gentleness & respect (:15)
4. Maintain a good conscience by godly living (:16a; 2:12)
  - This will put to shame your adversaries (:16b)
5. Your suffering well as a Christian brings glory to God (:17; 4:15-16)
  - Your suffering is not arbitrary (:17b; 4:12; 1:6-7)