Being a saint in a sinful world

¹⁵ None of you should suffer as a murderer or a thief or a wrongdoer, or as a meddler. ¹⁶ But if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but glorify God in this name.

¹⁷ Because the season has begun for judgement to move out from the house of God. So, if it starts from us, what will be the outcome for those disobeying the Gospel of God? ¹⁸ And, if it is with difficulty a righteous is saved, how will an ungodly and a sinner be enlightened?

¹⁹ Therefore, those who are suffering according to the will of God, let them commit their souls to their faithful Creator in doing good.

1 Peter 4:15-19

People of
I ask, 'am I part of the ?' Whoever keeps the whole law, but James 2:10 Aspire to 1 Thessalonians 4:11
I ask, 'how can I be part of the ?' Conduct yourselves 1 Peter 2:12 I eagerly expect Philippians 1:20
People ofknow how bad things happen. 4:17-18
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God's people commit to the good They exchanged the Truth Romans 1:25
God's people commit to good created to do good works. Ephesians 2:10

My prayer priorities for the week beginning 29 August 2021

- Bill B; Lorna T; other past members
- M 30 Our online congregation
- T 31 Taina, May.
- W 1 Ian and Eleanor
- T 2 Val. Joan.
- F 3 Lorraine, Jim.
- S 4 Deirdre. Lvn.
- S 5 Stuart and Kave

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

- 1. What is one thing in 1 Peter 4:15-19 that you found interesting, or unusual, or challenging?
- 2. The world has been a sinful place ever sins the Fall in the Garden of Eden. Can you give an example of it becoming more/less sinful?
- 3. Look at v16. If we are given a hard time for holding to our Faith, a) what do we not do, and why; and b) what do we do, and why?
- 4. The Biblical "Judeo-Christian Ethic" has strongly impacted our laws and our culture. Can you give an example of how the Bible has made our country different from say, a Muslim, or a Communist, country? So, do you think a Biblical ethic is generally a good thing?
- 5. Suggests some ways in which a Jesus, or a Biblical mindset, can helpfully address current issues like, for example, covid-19, Taliban takeover of Afghanistan, or gender issues.
- 6. What is something you can do, into order to do good with a Creation viewpoint?

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