

1 Peter 2:20

by John Gill

The sermon emphasizes the importance of enduring suffering for righteousness with patience, as it is pleasing to God and leads to His reward.

Scripture: Matthew 5:10, 1 Peter 2:20

Topics: "Patience in Trials", "Suffering for Righteousness"

Description

John Gill emphasizes the significance of enduring suffering for doing good, contrasting it with the lack of honor in suffering for one's faults. He explains that true glory comes from patiently bearing reproach and persecution while acting in accordance with God's will and for His glory. Gill highlights that such patience is not only commendable but also pleasing to God, who rewards those who suffer for righteousness with grace and glory. The sermon encourages believers to maintain their faith and integrity even in the face of unjust suffering.

Transcript

Ver. 20. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults,.... Which ye have committed, and are guilty of, and are truly such:

ye shall take it patiently? to be silent, and not murmur when beaten, within measure, for real faults, is no great honour, nor does it deserve any praise; it is the least that can be done:

but if, when ye do well; either in their master's service, or rather in the business of religion, and the things of God; as when what they do is according to the will of God, and from love to him, and in faith, and in the name and strength of Christ, and to the glory of God; without all which there is no well doing:

and suffer for it; reproach and persecution, by words or blows, in person or property:

ye take it patiently; without grieving and repining, or answering again, and making any returns:

this is acceptable with God; is agreeably to his will, and grateful in his sight, what he is well pleased with, is reckoned grace with him; and though it is his own grace, and of his own bestowing, he will reward it with glory.

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