

# Don't Be Surprised

Series: Get Ready

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**1 Peter 4:12-19 • February 25, 2018**

For Christians, suffering is both \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_.

## Two Responses to Suffering:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>12</sup> Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

2. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>13</sup> But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when His glory is revealed.

## Two Reasons for Suffering

1. As a \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>14</sup> If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. <sup>15</sup> If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler.

2. As a \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>16</sup> However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name.

## Two Results of Suffering

1. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>17</sup> For it is time for judgment to begin with God's household; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

2. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>18</sup> And,  
"If it is hard for the righteous to be saved,  
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

<sup>19</sup> So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

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## This Week

### Sunday, February 25, 2018

7:30 a.m.	Sunday Morning Men's Group	Mont Vista 2
8 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
9:15 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Group	Lower Garage
	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Focus Group	Bellevue Lower
	Faith Still Matters	Bellevue Upper
10:45 a.m.	Worship Service	Worship Center
	LIFEkids Ministries	Rooms 101-111
	4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Group	Lower Garage
	The Gathering	Mont Vista 2
6 p.m.	Chili Cook-Off	Worship Center
6:30 p.m.	DivorceCare	Mont Vista 2

### Monday, February 26

10 a.m.	Monday Mornings with Marnie	Coffee House
7 p.m.	Heart to Heart	Mont Vista 1

### Tuesday, February 27

9 a.m.	Mom to Mom	The Garage
6:30 p.m.	Core Beliefs Class	The Garage

### Wednesday, February 28

6:30 a.m.	Wednesday Morning Men's Group	Molly's Souper
6:30 p.m.	Radiant	Bellevue House
7 p.m.	Exit83 Jr. High & High School Youth Group	The Garage
	Wednesday Night Men's Study	Room 102
	Women at the Well	Room 105

### Thursday, March 1

6:30 a.m.	Thursday Morning Men's Group	Chick-fil-A
9 a.m.	God's Design for Women	The Garage
7 p.m.	College/Post College Group	Garcia's Home
	A Quilter's Prayer	Room 104
	Griefshare	Room 102
	Thursday Night Men's Group	Bellevue Upper Room

### Friday, March 2

7 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	The Garage
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Interested in joining one of these groups? Sign up at [lbfnextsteps.church](http://lbfnextsteps.church) and a group leader will contact you.

## Pray

Pray for God to bring continual fruit in the lives of both GO Team Kenya and also in the lives of the Kenyans who were impacted by the trip.

Pray for God to lead you in how you can approach suffering and difficulty with an expectation of God bringing growth and beauty through the experience.

## Giving Update

Fiscal Year July 2017-June 2018 **Total Budget: \$2,320,000**

	Budget Goal	Giving Received	Over/Under
December	\$343,671	\$374,296	\$30,625
January	\$157,532	\$203,512	\$45,980
Year to Date	\$1,346,572	\$1,395,204	\$51,632

## DEBT REDUCTION FUND

	Giving Received
December	\$9,774
January	\$7,045
YTD	\$58,160

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