

Share in suffering: do we really need to suffer with him?

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Being united to Christ includes knowing 'the fellowship of sharing in Christ's suffering'. We'll be considering what it might mean that Christ suffered, we suffer and we are in Him. How does this impact and transform our experience of suffering?

Introduction

We suffer

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Christ suffered

The effects of a broken world

John 4:6, 11:25

Because of his obedience

Luke 22:42, Hebrews 5:7-9

Because of sin

Isaiah 53:1-6

We are in Him

Being in Christ means we're following a pattern....

2 Corinthians 13:4

....a pattern that leads to life.....

John 14:17-20

....life in fellowship and communion with Jesus.

Philippians 3:8-11; Psalm 84:5-7

Implications

What difference does being united to Christ make to how to respond to suffering?

What difference does it make to how we walk alongside one another?

Video case study and discussion