

# Baptism Sunday

Grace Fellowship Church / Pastor Jason Jahn / April 14, 2024 (Baptism Sunday)

## 1 Peter 3:13-22

### Today's Baptisms

#### **9am Service**

Sawyer Hunt | Jason Jahn  
Calvin Shepherd | Tanner Cox

#### **10:45am Service**

Sibelle Chow | Derek Chow  
Elijah Henry | Ryan Henry  
Alivia Howard | Tanner Cox

### **1 Peter 3:13-22**

“Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, <sup>16</sup> having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> in which He went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup> because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup> Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to Him.”

### **I. Choosing to do good is the most sure way to avoid suffering. v. 13**

(Matthew 5:16; 1 Peter 2:11-12, 3:1-2)

**II. You can be confident that God sees when you suffer for doing what's right.  
v. 14 (Matthew 5:10, see Matthew 10:26-33)**

**III. The life of a Christian should always point to the hope of the Gospel. v. 15-16  
(Romans 2:15)**

**IV. God will use your suffering to grow you up, don't "help" Him by adding to it.  
v. 17 (James 1:2-4)**

**V. Look to Christ as an example of perseverance. v. 18-22**