

1 Peter 12 - 4:1-11

1. **The Mind of Suffering** – 4:1-2
 - a. Suffering as an example – 3:18, Heb 12:2-4
 - b. “cease from sin” – They do not partake in it
 - c. He that is born of God does not sin – Mat 12:50, John 1:12-13, 1 John 3:6-10
 - d. Understanding the will of the Lord is wise – Eph 5:17

2. **The Will of the Gentiles** – 4:3-5
 - a. But now, the will of God is necessary – 1 John 2:15-17
 - b. Sin for a season, or faithfulness to God - Heb 11:24-27
 - c. “when we” – This must be backslidden Israel – Jer 3:12, 14:7
 - d. Israel would be cut off if they participated – Lev 18:24-30
 - e. 4:4 - They are not of the world – John 17:14-16
 - f. God will judge all men – Rom 2:16, 14:12, 1 Cor 4:5, 2 Tim 4:1
 - g. 4:6 – “to them that are dead” – they are believers because they live unto God
 - h. “according to men” – judged by men - Heb 11:36-38
 - i. “but live...” – their faith was in God – Heb 11:39
 - j. Paul says: the Lord judges me - 1 Cor 4:3-4

3. **Cover a Multitude of Sins** – 4:7-8
 - a. “the end of all things” – 2 Peter 3:9-11, “the day” - Heb 10:25
 - b. Sober – 1 Peter 1:13 & watch – Matt 24:42, Luke 21:34-36
 - c. “charity shall cover sins” – 1 Peter 1:22, Prov 10:12, 17:9
 - d. Charity and enduring wrongs – 1 Cor 13:7
 - e. Save a soul from death - James 5:19

4. **Stewards of the Manifold Grace of God** - 4:9-11
 - a. “received the gift” – Heb 6:4
 - b. The gifts given unto men for the BOC – Eph 4:7-8 (Psalm 68:18)
 - c. Grace – *def.* a favor or privilege (not here the dispensation of grace)
 - d. Manifold grace – Similar to the variety of powers given in Rom 12:6-8
 - e. The kingdom powers were for the Jews; Gentile powers were to prove to Jews
 - f. “oracles of God” – Israel received the oracles– Rom 3:2, 9:4, Acts 7:38
 - g. “ability which God gives” the powers granted of God – Mark 16:17-18
 - h. “dominion for ever” – This is about a kingdom – Mat 6:13