

**GOSPEL OF MARK**  
**Suffering For The Faith**  
**Mark 6:14-29**

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**1. Persecution is a \_\_\_\_\_ for those who follow Christ.**

- a. Christianity is \_\_\_\_\_ to those who insist on following other gods.
- b. Christianity teaches that there is a \_\_\_\_\_ standard of right and wrong to which all people are accountable.
- c. Christianity calls on \_\_\_\_\_ people to repent of sin and put their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord.
  - 1) It calls for more than a \_\_\_\_\_ conscience.
  - 2) It calls for more than a \_\_\_\_\_ for those who live the Christian life well.
  - 3) It calls for more than a mere \_\_\_\_\_ or curiosity about the faith.

4) Continued \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ leads to a hardness of heart against Him and cruelty towards His church.

*"We need not wonder at this. When men and women have chosen their line, and resolved to have their own wicked way, they dislike any one who tries to turn them. They would fain be left alone. They are irritated by opposition. They are \_\_\_\_\_ when they are told the truth." - J.C. Ryle*

**2. Believers are called to \_\_\_\_\_ in the faith in spite of the world's resistance.**

- a. The message of salvation for guilty sinners by repentance and faith in Christ must not be \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. Be intent on being a good example, but recognize that you will be \_\_\_\_\_ because of your faith.
- c. Rejoice in seeking to live to God's glory, and being \_\_\_\_\_ that abundant and eternal blessings are yours in Christ.