

“Three Introductory Principles About Persecution”

I. Persecution Is a Normal Part of the Christians Life

- A. For P_____ and the T_____**
(I Thessalonians 1:6-7, 2:14-15, 3:3-4, Acts 17:2-10, 18:6, II Timothy 3:10-12)
- B. For J_____ (John 15:18-21, John 16:32-33)**
- C. For P_____ (I Peter 4:12-13)**
- D. For S_____ Throughout H_____**

II. Persecution of Christians Is Ordained by God

- A. Chose His P_____ for S_____ (I Thessalonians 1:3-5)**
- B. Chose His P_____ for S_____ (I Thessalonians 3:3, I Thessalonians 5:18, Acts 9:15-16)**

III. Christians Should Prepare for Persecution (I Thessalonians 3:1-4, John 16:1-4)

- A. Do N_____ Ignore R_____**
- B. Receive the W_____ of G_____ as the W_____ of G_____**
(I Thessalonians 1:6, I Thessalonians 2:13)
- C. Pray in A_____ of Persecution**
(I Thessalonians 3:12-13)
- D. Strengthen and Encourage O_____ A_____ in the**
F_____ (Hebrews 3:13-14, Hebrews 10:23-25)