



Outer Growth - Christian

Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf.

1 Peter 4:16

Church - Matthew 16:18b

Helper - 1 John 3:17

Righteous - Revelation 22;11b

Intimate - 1 John 4:8

Suffer - 2 Timothy 2:3

Trials - James 1:2

Intercede - 1 Timothy 2:1

Active - John 17:17

Now - Isaiah 43:18-19

What is a Christian? A Christian bears the name within the title, Christ. There are many Christians now more than ever before these days: some are long-serving while some are new. What do both have in common? They would admit the part that nobody wants to face, the suffering.

Christians are supposed to be devout followers of Christ. This title is well used among unbelievers and other human beings to identify the people of God. However, what does Christian stand for? Christians are the church itself and not the actual structure. The people will face opposition against evil forces and ways of the world to contend. We are to be the helpers of God for others to know Him by our living. This lifestyle includes doing and living right according to the Word of God. Following and being obedient to His scriptures will bring Christians closer to Him.

The challenge for Christians is enduring hardship and the trials that only God knows lies ahead. Followers of Christ will need to trust God during these times. The Word of God and prayer are necessary for Christians to overcome daily. To be able to live and intercede for family, friends, neighbors, and strangers, that they will come to know God.

Christians must be continuously active in all these areas mentioned above. Now is the time to be strong in the Lord because there are three things simultaneously happening daily. Christians have to live righteously, and persistently resist the enemy and world temptation.



Prayer: Father God, help me to remain faithful to you during the good times and bad. Thank you. Amen.