

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

**Study Aid for the Sermon from September 4, 2016
Remember How You Endured Past Sufferings
Hebrews 10:32-39**

Observing the text

Why did the author, following his warning against the sin of apostasy in Hebrews 10:26-31, exhort his readers to remember how they had endured past sufferings in Hebrews 10:32?

What specific sufferings had his readers endured based on Hebrews 10:33-34?

What was the author's explanation for how they endured their past sufferings based on the end of Hebrews 10:34?

How did the author apply what he had just said to his readers' present situation in Hebrews 10:35-38?

How confident was the author that his readers would positively respond to what he had just told them based on Hebrews 10:39?

Applying the sermon

Why would professing Christians around the world who are seeking to live lives pleasing to the Lord expect persecution?

Why would professing Christians around the world at any particular time expect to experience the same degree of persecution as every other Christian around the world?

What degree of persecution are you presently experiencing and what factors are contributing to that degree of persecution?

Why would Christ's promise to you that "a better and lasting possession" awaits you and sustains you, not only in your present sufferings but in your future sufferings as well, if those future sufferings might include the severest forms of persecution?

Take some time now and thank God for Christ's promise to you, and then ask Him once again to pour out His grace upon you so that you might be able to continue to hold fast your profession of faith in Christ firm until the end.