# "The Path to Glory"

"Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised."

(Hebrews 10:35-36)

"Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?" (Luke 24:26)

#### **Jesus' Path to Glory**

Philippians 2:6-11 – (6) "...though he (*Jesus*) was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, (7) but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, (8) he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. (9) Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, (10) so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, (11) and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

<u>Hebrews 2:9-11</u> – (9) "But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, <u>crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death</u>, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. (10) For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, <u>in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering</u>. (11) For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers,"

## **Glory Today/Glory Tomorrow**

<u>Peter 4:13-14</u> - (13) "But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad <u>when his glory is revealed</u>. (14) If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you."

Romans 8:16-18 – (16) "The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, (17) and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. (18) For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us."

## **Key Point: The Path to Glory is Paved with Suffering**

#### Response:

"So we do not lose heart.

#1 Accept the Death/Life Cycle

Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.

**#2** Contrast the Affliction with Eternity

For this slight momentary affliction is <u>preparing for us an eternal</u> weight of glory beyond all comparison,

#3 Endure by Seeing the Eternal

as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

**Questions:** What

impacted me the most in this message?
Do I understand God's way of bringing us to glory?
Is suffering the Path that Jesus took to glory? (John 12:23-25; Luke 24:26)

Are we to walk in His path? (1 John 2:6)