

# Bookmarked: How to maintain hope when suffering

Romans 5:3-4

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Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope.

Romans 5:3-4 ESV

1. Life includes \_\_\_\_\_ ✓
2. Suffering demands \_\_\_\_\_ ✓
3. Endurance builds \_\_\_\_\_ ✓
4. Character strengthens \_\_\_\_\_ ✓

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God... and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

Romans 5:1-2 ESV, Romans 5:5-6 ESV

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Is there any suffering you are enduring that this Scripture can assist?
2. Who in your circle of influence helps you have hope, endure and be encouraged?