



**Sermon Outline
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Live Differently

1 Peter 4:1-5

Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin. ² As a result, he does not live the rest of his earthly life for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. ³ For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. ⁴ They think it strange that you do not indulge with them into the same flood of dissipation, and they heap abuse on you. ⁵ But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

In this series we are alerting Christians to the truth that we have been called to:

- Believe Differently
- Think Differently
- _____
- Love Differently

When militant voices for these things come against the Church...the church has often not done very well.

We have made mistakes in at least two directions:

1. Sometimes the church has attempted to _____
_____.

2. Joining to _____, or perhaps even elevate homosexual practice in the name of religion.

Three key things happening among our kids...

1. Early _____ of our children.
2. _____ injects extremes of confusion.
3. Marinated daily in _____.

I should be reminded of two important truths.

1. God is so _____ with his children.
2. God's patience has a _____.

What are we gonna do?

We, the church, need to _____ at this. When it comes to dealing with changing culture, confronting sin, calling ourselves to righteousness. Not condemning viciously. Not embracing thoughtlessly. Good at the biblical call on our life...that we speak the truth in Love. We need to get good at this.

Jesus was indeed against sin. But he was _____.

John 8

"If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."

"Go now and leave your life of sin."