10.	The world is often unjust, and suffering is an ongoing reality. Hov
	does this portrayal of Christ give you hope?

# 11. What encouragement can you draw from verse 22 that all authorities and powers are subject to Christ?

12. Was there a key point from the message that you would like to discuss, or expand upon?

#### Personal Reflection

- How you ever experienced persecution because you were a Believer in Christ?
- 2. What changes, based on this study, do you need to make?

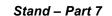
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## Victory Lap





Message from Sunday February 17, 2013 Village Green Community Church



#### Stand - Part 7

## Life Group Study Notes Stand Sermon Series based on 1 Peter

#### This Week's Message

The message this week looks at one of the most difficult passages in the entire New Testament. Peter alludes to Noah and the Ark and the significance of water to baptism, and even spirits that are in prison. Despite these references, the point that Peter is making is easily identified, and one that reminds us that despite what is happening around us, we can endure it with hope.

### Study - Based on 1 Peter 3:18-22

1.	Begin by stating one thing you learned from last week's study?			

- 2. What is the difference between suffering and persecution and which one is Peter talking about in this letter.
- 3. Is it easy for us to comprehend persecution? Where are you experiencing it?
- 4. Verse 18 is a beautiful summary of Christ's work and purpose. From this verse, why did Jesus come and what did he accomplish?

6.	and yet, suffering	vas the perfect example of someone who suffered unjustly, obeyed God. How does this help us to understand the g we can expect? Also, how does this help us to understand ortance of "doing good?"			
7.	Verses serve as	19-21 are difficult verses to fully understand. How do they s an illustration to verses 18 and 22?			
8.		Based on this section, how important is baptism and what does it epresent?			
9.	In the message, what were the 3 things that the victory lap of Jest teaches us? Expound on each.				
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5. Why should we care?