

Volume 2 Books of Poetry Psalm 44:21 – 23

"Yet for Your sake we are killed all day long, we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Awake! Why do You sleep, O LORD? Arise! Do not hide Your face!" Psalm 44:21 – 23

This is our heritage, and it is a goodly heritage – to suffer for Christ and with Christ. "Yes, all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." (2 Timothy 3:12). If we are living for Jesus and living like Jesus the same spirit that hated Him will hate us as well. As lambs of His flock, should we not expect the same treatment that the Lamb of God received at the hands of the princes of this world?

Today many Christians are facing the ultimate challenge to their faith and are standing strong and firm for Jesus in the face of threats, persecutions and death! Those facing these pressures should not face these trials alone. As Christians we are all a part of the Body of Christ, should we not then stand with our brethren, if not physically, at least in prayer as they suffer for His name's sake? "Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them who suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body." (Hebrews 13:3).

"Lord, arise! Stand with our brethren who this very hour are facing their greatest trial as well as their finest hour! Let them stand firm. May their faith not fail. Bring honour and glory to the Name as they share in Your sufferings. Cause their persecutors to see You in both their faces and in their actions! In Jesus Name, Amen."

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