

# EXILES:

JOYFUL OR CYNICAL?

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George Washington



“If he does that, he will be the greatest man in the world.”

King George III







Theodore Roosevelt









Rosa Parks







Ronald Reagan



“Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ’s sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.”

1 Peter 4:12-13



“Therefore let those who suffer according to God’s will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.”

1 Peter 4:19

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“Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.”

Acts 20:28

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compulsion = of necessity or force

“For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!”

1 Corinthians 9:16



“But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone ...”

Galatians 1:15-16

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eagerly (prothumos) = **pre-existing passion,**  
**readily**

“So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.”

Romans 1:15

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“not domineering over” =  
not subduing, exercising dominion over

“And Jesus called them to him and said to them, ‘You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you.’

“But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:42-45

“Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.



“Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Luke 10:19-20

“Then Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock, and he said to them, ‘Hear now, you rebels: shall we bring water for you out of this rock?’

“And Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock with his staff twice, and water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their livestock.”

Numbers 20:10-11

“And the Lord said to Moses and Aaron,  
‘Because you did not believe in me, to uphold  
me as holy in the eyes of the people of Israel,  
therefore you shall not bring this assembly  
into the land that I have given them.’”

Numbers 20:12

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“And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.”

1 Peter 5:4

“For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.”

Romans 8:18



“In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,

“so that the tested genuineness of your faith — more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”

1 Peter 1:6-7

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