**Being Stoned**

*~ Deacon Matthew Pierce ~*

**1 Peter 4:12-13 (KJV)**

12Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: 13But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

**John 16:33 (KJV)**

33These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

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# Stone #1 (devil’s schemes)

Worries, Stress, Doubt, Burdens, Confusion, Daily Aggravation

**Matthew 6:34 (NIV)**

34Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

**Revelation 2:24 (KJV)**

24But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

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# Stone #2 (devil’s attacks)

Grief, Torment, Doubt, Sorrow, Tragedy, Pain

**Ephesians 6:13 (KJV)**

13Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

**John 16:20 (KJV)**

20Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

**Psalm 126:5 (KJV)** 5They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

**Matthew 24:7-8 (KJV)**

7For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. 8All these are the beginning of sorrows.

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| Psalm 27:1 | Isaiah 41:13 | 2 Timothy 2:23-24 |
| James 1:19-21 | 1 Peter 5:7 | Romans 12:1 |
| Romans 5:3-4 | Romans 8:17-18 | James 1:12 |

**Psalm 25:16-19 (KJV)**

16Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and afflicted. 17The troubles of my heart are enlarged: O bring thou me out of my distresses. 18Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins. 19Consider mine enemies; for they are many; and they hate me with cruel hatred.