

TAKE HOME POINTS

1. Don't waste your persecution
 1. Do you view it as God's plan for your life?
 2. Do you believe it is redemptive?

3. Don't pursue persecution – persecution will pursue you
 1. Do you wish for it as a badge of honor?
 2. Do you live to avoid it?
 3. Do you expect it?

4. Make sure your persecution is on account of Jesus
 1. Do you bring it on by your preferences?
 2. Do you bring it on by your “righteousness”?
 3. Do you bring it on by your “Gospel”?

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4. Take verbal persecution seriously
 1. Do you understand the power of words?
 2. Do you see church as the place of refuge from it?

5. Obey God's commands to find joy in persecution
 1. Do you struggle to believe your faith is real?
 2. Do you know you have heaven?

