Mt 27:19 When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

Mr 5:26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,

Ga 3:4 Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain.

A believer suffers persecution when he walks by faith.

When the Galatians accepted Christ, they had suffered ridicule, abuse, isolation and persecution from their neighbors; and apparently the persecution had continued for some time (Acts 14:1-7, 19, 22. The point is this: if the Galatians now turned away from Christ to some false teaching, then the suffering they had borne for Christ would be in vain. They would have suffered for nothing. In fact, they would now appear foolish if they turned away from Christ when they had suffered so much in order to embrace Him.

Every believer who truly turns to Christ has some suffering to bear. It may be mild, but some suffering is borne. There are the sufferings of...

•  separating from the world.

•  denying self.

•  taking up the cross-dying to one's own will and way every day.

•  giving everything that one has to Christ and His cause (money, time, energy, effort).

. If Christ is worth suffering for, why then forsake Him and turn to some false teaching?