

I. Jehovah chastises His people.

- A. One of the causes of this chastisement is sin.
  
- B. This chastisement, this discipline, is referred to as a cup.
  
- C. God, in severe trials, will bring you to the end of yourself.

II. Temporal chastisements are part of the purpose of Jehovah.

- A. Temporal chastisements last for a certain period of time.
  
- B. God's discipline is proportionate to God's purpose.
  
- C. Jehovah pleads, judges, the cause of His people.

III. Wicked men are Jehovah's instrument.

- A. Jehovah uses the wicked to chastise His church.
  
- B. What becomes of this instrument of the wicked?