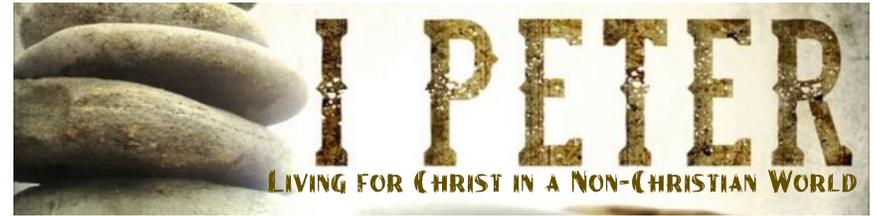


- ❑ Vs. 7 What is the purpose in allowing suffering for believers?
- ❑ Why are we suppose to rejoice?
- ❑ When will our suffering produce the greatest fruit?
- ❑ Vs. 8 How are these believes different from Peter? How are the like Peter?
- ❑ Vs. 9 What is the goal of all believers?
- ❑ What do many today see as the goal of their faith?

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[10] Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, [11] trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. [12] It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.

- ❑ Vs. 10 & 11 What were all the Prophets of the past searching for?
- ❑ Vs. 11 Why did Christ suffer? What were the results?
- ❑ Why do we suffer? What will be the results?
- ❑ Vs. 12 Why were the prophets speaking the message long ago? (did it help people long ago get saved? Why?)
- ❑ Who has caused the good news (gospel) to be preached?



## Study lesson #1

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Who was this man Peter?

- John 1.35-41 \_\_\_\_\_
- Mark 1.16-18, \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 10.2 \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 18.21; 19.27 \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 16.13-16 \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 16.21-23 \_\_\_\_\_
- Mark 14.27-31, 54, 66-72 \_\_\_\_\_
- Mark 16.7 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 21.7 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 21.15-22 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 1.13-15, 20 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 2.14 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 2.37-38 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 3.6 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 4.1-8 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 5. 1-11 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 8.13, 14, 18-20 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 10.9-17 \_\_\_\_\_
- Acts 12.5 \_\_\_\_\_
- Galatians 1.18 \_\_\_\_\_
- Galatians 2.7 \_\_\_\_\_
- Galatians 2.11-14 \_\_\_\_\_
- 1 Peter 1 <sup>NIV</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

[1] Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

- ❑ The word apostle means messenger. Why is this important in his introduction to this letter?

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To God's elect, strangers in the world, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, [2] who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and sprinkling by his blood:

- ❑ Why would Peter call them strangers in the world?
- ❑ How can being scattered be a good thing for the church. (see also Acts 8.1)
- ❑ How does God's foreknowledge affect our decisions?
- ❑ Does God force anyone to become a Christian? Explain
- ❑ What is the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit? (Also see Ephesians 1.3b-14 & 1 Thessalonians 5.23)
- ❑ What is the difference between what Jesus does and the Holy Spirit does for us?
- ❑ In verses 1 -2 circle all the times God is referred to. Why is this important to know?

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Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

- ❑ Knowing that this letter is about conflict with the world why would Peter write this here? Isn't it giving the believers *false* hope?

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[3] Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus

Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, [4] and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, [5] who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. [6] In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. [7] These have come so that your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. [8] Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, [9] for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

- ❑ Vs. 3 & 4 What has God provided for us?
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.
  - 4.
- ❑ Vs. 4 When and where do we receive the inheritance set aside for us?
- ❑ How is this inheritance different from anything else we know in this world?
- ❑ Vs. 5 What does it mean to be shielded by God's power?
- ❑ Vs. 5 When is salvation complete? When does it start?
- ❑ Vs. 6 What comes between the new birth and the inheritance for the believers?