

1-2 Peter

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- 1. Compare the statement in verse 2 "sprinkled with His blood" with Exodus 24:8.
- 2. From the end of verse 2 what was Peter wishing for these people? (Don't just write a quotation, try to explain it)
- 3. How does Peter describe our inheritance?
- 4. Verse 6 says "in this you greatly rejoice". What are we rejoicing in?
- 5. Explain the analogy in verse 7 between the testing of gold and the proving of our faith.
- 6. In what way(s) does verse 8 describe faith?
- 7. What is the outcome of our faith (v.9)?
- 8. According to verse 10 the prophets prophesied of the grace that should come to us. What is this grace we have received?

- 1. How do false prophets speak (2:18)?
- 2. Why does 2:20 describe the latter condition as worse?
- 3. If our minds are "pure" (KJ) or "sincere" (NAS), why do they need to be stirred up (3:1)?
- 4. When are the "last days" (3:3)?
- 5. The scoffer made what remark (3:4)? How did Peter answer it?
- 6. What does Peter teach about the nature of God (3:8-9)?
- 7. How does Peter describe the Day of the Lord (3:10-13)?
- 8. How does Peter describe some of Paul's letters (3:16)? What does he say people do with them?

- 1. What is meant in verse 13 by the phrase "prepare your minds for action"?
- 2. What will Jesus bring us at the revelation?
- 3. What phrases and words are used by Peter to portray us as God's children?
- 4. What does verse 17 teach us about the judgment?
- 5. From verse 20 explain what was foreknown.
- 6. According to verse 21 why did God raise Jesus from the dead?
- 7. Explain the comparison of "purified your souls" and "fervently love one another from the heart" in verse 22.
- 8. What is the imperishable seed with which we have been born again?
- 9. Of what significance is the statement in verse 25 about the gospel preached and the Word of God?

- 1. In verse 2 Peter calls a person young in the faith a "newborn babe." Explain the symbolism.
- 2. Who are the "living stones" (v.4)?
- 3. How does Jesus meet the description of:
 - A. A Corner Stone (v.6, 7)
 - B. Precious (v.6)
 - C. A Stone Of Stumbling (v.8)
- 4. Explain the following descriptions of a Christian (v.9).
 - A. A Chosen Race
 - B. A Royal Priesthood
 - C. A Holy Nation
 - D. A People's For God's Own Possession
- 5. Describe a Christian's "priesthood".
- 6. What are some of the spiritual sacrifices we can offer to God that are acceptable?
- 7. Who does verse 10 refer to?
- 8. Why are we to abstain from fleshly lust as pilgrims (v.11)?
- 9. What kind of reputation are we to have in the world (v.12)?

- 1. Where do the false teachers come from (2:1)?
- 2. What examples are listed as to the fact of God's punishment for the false teacher?
- 3. If God knows how to deliver the godly out of temptation (v.9) why doesn't He? Why are we allowed to be tempted?
- 4. What is meant by those that "despise authority" (v.10)?
- 5. Verse 10 speaks of those who do "not tremble when they revile angelic majesties".
 - A. Who are the "majesties"?
 - B. Does this passage teach we should fear the "majesties"?
- 6. Verse 12 speaks of "these" as unreasoning animals. Who is being referred to?
- 7. As a false prophet "carouse(s)" with us, in what sort of things does he engage (v.13)?
- 8. What is the story of Balaam the son of Bosor? (Look in Numbers 22)
- 9. How did he love the wages of unrighteousness (v.15)?

- 1. We are established in the "truth which is present with you" (v.12), does that mean there will be a "future truth" revealed?
- 2. To what is verse 14 referring?
- 3. How does verse 16 speak to the authenticity of the scriptures?
- 4. What other verses from this lesson speak to the authenticity of the writer as being "informed"?
- 5. What passage(s) in the New Testament is quoted in verse 17?
- 6. Peter shifts to the topic of prophecy in verse 19. What is his point?
- 7. What is meant by an "act of human will" or "private interpretation" (KJ) (v.20)?
- 8. Analyze verse 21.
 - A. To whom did the word of God come?
 - B. Could someone become a prophet if they desired to?
 - C. "Men moved"?
 - D. "By the Holy Spirit."
 - 1. What was the work of the Holy Spirit in salvation?
 - 2. What other verse speaks to the work of the Holy Spirit?

- 1. What type of American citizens are we to be?
- 2. Name a few of the things to which we are to submit ourselves.
- 3. Peter tells us to suffer as Christ suffered (v.21-25). In what ways? Explain.
- 4. We often hear of the "Christian attitude." In your opinion, which one verse best describes the attitudes we should have?
- 5. What is meant by "freedom as a covering for evil" (v.16)?
- 6. Does verse 18 apply to an employee/boss relationship? If yes, in what ways?
- 7. According to verse 20, what is to be our attitude in suffering? Please explain.
- 8. Who is the Shepherd and Guardian of our souls (v.25)? (Please explain and do word searches on Blueletterbible.org [or somewhere else] to find other references with the symbolism.)
 - A. Shepherd
 - B. Guardian
- 9. Unto what are we called? (get the answer directly from the reading)

- 1. Why does Peter say women are to be in subjection to their husband?
 - A. Does this concept of winning the husband apply to a husband trying to win his wife?
 - B. What attribute will convince the unbelieving spouse to believe?
- 2. What is "chaste...behavior" (v.2)?
- 3. How is that coupled with respectful behavior (King James has "fear")? What does this mean?
- 4. How are husbands to dwell with their wives?
- 5. How can a couples prayers be hindered (v.7)?
- 6. How do we remain harmonious (v.8)?
- 7. What does "brotherly" mean (v.8)? (King James has to "love as brethren")
- 8. According to verse 9, what is our attitude to be when a brother does us wrong?
- 9. Rewrite verses 10-12 stating the opposite truth not listed. (For example: "The one who desires life, to love and see good days" becomes: For he that will hate life and see evil days...)
- 10. What do we learn about prayer in verse 12?

- 1. Who was called by glory and excellence (v.3)? What is His glory and excellence? What does this mean?
- 2. What great and precious promises are being referred to in verse 4?
- 3. Verse 5-7 begins with faith already established. How do we get faith?
 - A. Define each of the 8 terms used in this passage.
 - 1. Faith
 - 2. Moral excellence
 - 3. Knowledge
 - 4. Self control
 - 5. Perseverance
 - 6. Godliness
 - 7. Brotherly Kindness
 - 8. Love
 - B. Can we work on each of these attributes simultaneously or do we have to progress from one to the next till we finally achieve charity toward the end of our life?
- 4. What is the stated benefit of possessing those qualities (v.8-9)? What of those who do not posses them?
- 5. Define the word "diligent" used in verse 10. How do we demonstrate diligence in making our calling and election sure?

- 1. Is the first sentence in verse 5 speaking about a leader in the church, or an older person?
- 2. How can we all "clothe ourselves with humility toward one another" (5)?
- 3. Prepare an outline of verse 8 which could be used as major points of a sermon (try to write one application for each major point).
- 4. How do we resist the devil?
- 5. After we have suffered a while what will God do (v.10)?
- 6. Verse 12 says "Through Silvanus...I have written to you briefly...that this is the true grace of God..." What is the true grace of God?
- 7. What is meant by Babylon (v.13)? Was this literal of figurative?
- 8. Is verse 14 a command?
- 9. "Peace be with you all" what is Peter hoping for them?

- 1. What should our attitude be about suffering for righteousness' sake?
- 2. How do we sanctify the Lord in our hearts (v.15)?
- 3. In what way do we answer people who question our religious beliefs?
- 4. Why did Christ suffer (v.18)?
- 5. Explain the symbolism between baptism and the flood (20-21).
- 6. How is baptism an appeal to God for a good conscience (v.21)?
- 7. Where is Jesus now and what authority does He have (v.22)? (list some other references about the authority Christ now has)
- 8. Generally, to what is our suffering compared (v.18)?
- 9. Give answer for the reason in you about (v.15):
 - A. Baptism for the remission of sins
 - B. Partaking of Lord's Supper every first day of the week
 - C. There is only one Church.
 - D. Not dancing.
 - E. No alcoholic drinking (T-totaler)
 - F. Gaining authority only from the New Testament

- 1. "Arm yourselves also with the same purpose" (v.1). Same as what? Please explain.
- 2. How can we cease to sin (v.1-2)?
- 3. Please define (from v.3):
 - A. "A course of sensuality" (NAS); Lasciviousness (KJ)
 - B. Carousings (NAS); Revellings (KJ)
 - C. Drinking parties (NAS); Banquetings (KJ)
- 4. What things does Peter say about how the new man will be different (v.4)?
- 5. Explain from verse 7:
 - A. The end of all things is near.
 - B. Sober spirit.
 - C. The purpose of prayer.
- 6. How would you practice hospitality grudgingly (v.9)?
- 7. Verse 10 uses the term "steward."
 - A. Please define:
 - B. What are we stewards of?
- 8. What is meant by the phrase "whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God" (v.11)?

- 1. How does Peter describe the trial we are to undergo?
- 2. How do we share in Christ's sufferings (v.13)?
- 3. Verse 16 talks about not being ashamed. List a few ways which we can demonstrate shame in regard to Christ.
- 4. Where will judgment begin (v.17)?
- 5. What is meant by "with difficulty the righteous is saved" (v.18)?
- 6. How do we entrust our souls to God (v.19)?
- 7. In 5:1 what three things does Peter tell us about himself?
- 8. How does an elder "shepherd" the flock (v.2)?
- 9. Describe the manner in which an elder is to take the oversight (v.2) (do's and don'ts).
- 10. Who is told they will receive a crown of glory?