

1 Peter 1

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1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, (**Bithynia = Asia Minor**) (**These are the 10 tribes, scattered abroad**)

2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied. **Ephesians-1:4** (**Foreknowledge through the predestination of the elect, who stood against Satan, in the first age**)

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, (**Death has no power over God**) (**Jesus wasn't God's son; He was God with us – God begotten into the flesh to show us how to live a perfect life**)

(**There is ONE God. He has many offices - God as Himself <the Father>, God in the flesh <Jesus & Melchizedek>, God in the Spirit< the Holy Spirit, God in angelic form <the Angel of the Lord>**)

4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, (**Our inheritance of eternal life is our reward from God**)

5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (**The Elect will stand against antichrist in the end days. The "rapture" is false doctrine**) Acts-2:17

6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: (**The Elect will be persecuted in the end times; especially when the world whores after antichrist. They will hate anyone who doesn't buy into the one world system of antichrist**)

(**Since the beginning, Christians have been hated by the world. They crucified Jesus**)

7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: (**God's reward**)

are forever; material things of this world are not. Focus on the real reward – eternal life with God)

⁸ Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: (Because we have the faith in God to believe that He is real, even if we can't see Him)

⁹ Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls. (Everlasting, spiritual life with God)

¹⁰ Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: (In the end times while most fall away into apostasy; the Elect will remain faithful to God. Many prophets wanted to live in this time)

¹¹ Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. (Example - Psalms 22 prophesied of the crucifixion of Jesus, 1000 years before the fact)

(also see Isaiah-7:14, and many other prophecies of the coming of God in the flesh as Messiah)

¹² Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into. (The angels are people who have lived in the flesh, and died – or people that have not yet been born in the flesh) (When we help propagate the Word of God to other people, even the angels in Heaven rejoice)

¹³ Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; (sober = sincere – better translation) (Jesus and the prophets foretold us all things that will happen in the end days. That is God's revelation to us)

¹⁴ As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: (lusts of the world; once you see the truth, the things of the world pale in comparison to God's promises)

¹⁵ But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; (God Himself has called us. Be the best that you can be)

¹⁶ Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy. (Do your best. God will forgive your mistakes, and reward your good deeds)

¹⁷ And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: (work - to earn your salvation) Rev-14:13, Rev-19:8-9, (sojourning - we're just passing through the flesh life; fear also means revere in the Hebrew. This was carried forward in the New Testament, in the Greek. Fear God if you are His enemy; revere Him if you love Him)

¹⁸ Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; (The wealth of the world are meaningless in the grand plan of God)

¹⁹ But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: (We were redeemed by God in the flesh, as a man. He paid for us with his life. That secured our true inheritance – eternal life with God. That is the true value of our inheritance)

²⁰ Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, (foundation = catabole - Satan's rebellion and his downfall in the First Age)

²¹ Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

²² Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: (unfeigned= truthful, honest)

²³ Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. (born again – born from above – better translation) (This is where people get confused with the "born again". We were born into the flesh from above. We were spiritual bodies before the flesh life; and we will be in our spiritual bodies again after we die in the flesh)

²⁴ For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: (The flesh perishes; the spirit can live forever if we make it to the eternity with God)

²⁵ But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you. (Jesus <God as a man> is the living Word) John-1:1