

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, (Asia Minor) (These are the 10 tribes, scattered)

²Elect 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)

³Blessed 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, (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 – three offices <Himself, Himself in the flesh, Himself in Spirit>)

⁴To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, (Our reward from God)

⁵Who 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)

⁶Wherein 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)

⁷That 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 like gold are not)

⁸Whom 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)

⁹Receiving 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 when most fall away into apostasy, the Elect will remain faithful to God)

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 later)

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)

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)

¹⁴ As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: (lusts of the world; once you see the truth, these things 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;

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=earn your salvation) Rev-14:13, Rev-19:8-9, (sojourning-we're passing through the flesh life, fear also means revere in the Hebrew; this was carried forward in the New Testament, in the Greek)

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;

¹⁹ But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

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)

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. (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 and we will be 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.