

Series: Aliens & Sojourners—1 Peter

Text: 1 Pet. 1:17–21

Title: Conduct Yourselves in Fear

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Lesson: 5

Summary of 1:3–12:

- Our ‘new begetting’ gives us immeasurable blessings we can look forward to in the end.
- That future hope enables us to endure any suffering in the meantime because trials prove our faith is real and because proven faith brings Christ the most glory.
- Christ’s glory is our chief motivation if we truly love Him.

THEREFORE...Four commands in 1:13–25:

1. Fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.
2. Be holy in all your behavior.

I. The Third Command: Conduct Yourselves in Fear... (v17)

- The _____
 - ‘If you call upon as Father...’ → If you say you’re a believer, this is what real believers do.
 - ‘...the One Who impartially judges according to each one’s work’ → He’s the One Who watches everything everyone does and will hold us accountable.

2 Cor. 5:10 – For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

- The _____
 - Peter is extremely concerned with our _____.
 - *Anastrepho* –
 - Salvation is supposed to change the way we live our lives!
 - We’re supposed to do so in _____.

*Prov. 9:10 – The **fear** of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.*

- This is in effect during our _____ on earth.
 - When sin is abolished, that fear will no longer be necessary.

*1 Pet. 2:11 - Beloved, I urge you as **aliens** and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul.*

- Our ultimate allegiance is to God, not this world.

II. ...in Light of What Your Salvation Cost... (vv18–19)

- We were _____ at a high price.
 - There are _____ implications to our redemption.

- We were redeemed from a _____ way of life (cf. Acts 14:15; Rom. 1:21; Eph. 4:17).

- The fact that redemption can't be purchased by gold or silver reminds us that nothing we _____ earns us salvation.

III. ...Because of God's Grace. (vv20–21)

- We know we are loved by the _____ between Christ's value and the fact that He came to earth.
- _____ is crucial in this passage:

*1:3 – Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living **hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,*

*1:13 – Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your **hope** completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

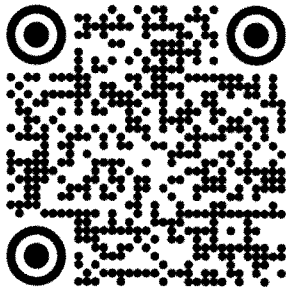
*1:21 – who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and **hope** are in God.*

What do we do with this text?

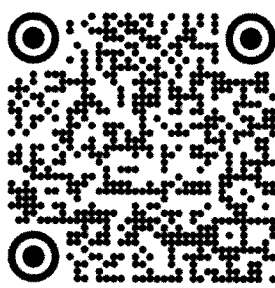
1. The high price of our salvation should motivate _____ lives in response, but that price also proves how much God _____ us.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

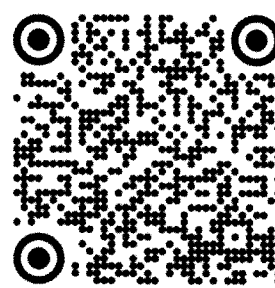
1. How would you describe your thinking before and after salvation? Why is it helpful to remember this difference?
2. How can you be more 'sober' in your thinking as a Christian today?
3. In what are you most tempted to place your hope instead of Christ? What needs to change about your thinking to keep it where it should be?
4. How do your 'former lusts' get in the way of you becoming holy? How can you combat them? You do not need to be more specific than you are comfortable.
5. What are some standards of holiness you are tempted to use instead of God? How should you view them instead?
6. How much do you focus on holiness in your life? What is your motivation when you do?



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