I PETER

HOLY AND HOPE-FILLED LIVING IN A HOSTILE WORLD

I Peter 1:13-16

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.
As obedient children,
do not be conformed to the former lusts
which were yours in your ignorance,

but like the Holy One who called you,
be holy yourselves also
in all *your* behavior;
because it is written,
"YOU SHALL BE HOLY,
FOR I AM HOLY."

If you address as Father
the One who impartially judges
according to each one's work,
conduct yourselves in fear
during the time of your stay *on earth;*

knowing that you were not redeemed
with perishable things like silver or gold
from your futile way of life
inherited from your forefathers,
but with precious blood,
as of a lamb unblemished and spotless,
the blood of Christ.

For He was foreknown
before the foundation of the world,
but has appeared in these last times
for the sake of you
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.

TWO MAJOR COMMANDS...

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!

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1. The commands given, 1:13-16
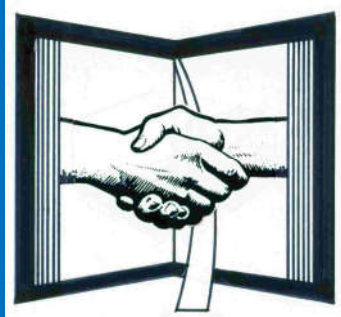2. The commands justified, 1:17-21.

Peter has commanded the believers…

Fix your hope
Live holy

In vv. 13-16

In vv. 17-21,
he tells them "why"!

Why should we live holy and hope-filled lives?

- Because God commands it!, 13-16.
- Because we call God our Father, 1:17.
- Because of the "fear of the Lord," 1:17.
- Because God will judge our work, 1:17.
- Because we are just "sojourning" here, 1:17.

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