IPETER HOLY AND HOPE-FILLED LIVING IN A HOSTILE WORLD

1 Peter 1:13-21

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!

TWO MAJOR COMMANDS...

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

Peter has commanded the believers...

Fix your hope In vv. 13-16 Live holy

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

- 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.
- Because we have been redeemed <u>out of</u> the futile way of life inherited from our forefathers, 1:18.

- Because our former way of life is our <u>former</u> way of life! 1:18.
- Because our former way of life was a "futile" way of life, 1:18.

- Because of the price that was paid for our redemption, 1:18-19.
 - ✓ Not perishable things like silver or gold
 - ✓ But with precious blood...
 of a "lamb" unblemished and spotless...
 the blood of Christ, 18-19.

- Because Christ came into the world "for our sakes,"
 1:20.
- Because "through Him" we are believers in God and therefore we have faith and hope in God and therefore we are forgiven and have eternal life!, 1:21.

Look at this description of Christ!!!

- Our Redeemer!, 18.
- The Lamb of God, 19.
 - ✓ Unblemished!
 - ✓ Spotless!
- The Lamb Who shed His blood for us!, 18-19.
- Foreknown before the foundation of the world, 20
- Appeared in these "last times," 20.

Look at this description of Christ!!!

- He appeared "for the sake of YOU!", 20.
- We are believers in God, through Him!, 20.
- He was raised from the dead, 21.
- He was given glory!, 21
 Recall Philippians 2:9-11!
- He is the reason that our faith and our hope are in God!, 21.

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WHAT A SALVATION!



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