

1 Peter Lesson 4

“Living Hope”

1 Peter 2:1 - 10

Day 1 – Read 1 Peter 2:1-10

Pray for God’s Spirit to teach you as you study this week.

1) The text begins with the word “so” (ESV) or “therefore” (NIV). What is it there for?

2) Define the following:

malice –

deceit -

hypocrisy –

envy –

slander –

3) Are the vices of 1 Peter 2:1 primarily attitudes or actions? Why do you think so?

Which of these sins are particularly tempting to you? Explain.

- 4) What exhortation is given in 1 Peter 2:2 2?

Do you long for this? Why or why not?

- 5) The verb, grow, in 1 Peter 2:2 is passive. The phrase is better translated that “it may grow you”. How do you “grow up into salvation?”

Day 2 – Read 1 Peter 2:1-5

- 6) The motivation to long or crave comes from verse 3. What is it?
- 7) How have you tasted of the kindness of the Lord?
- 8) Because we have tasted that the Lord is good, what else do we do according to 1 Peter 2:4a?

Read Psalm 34:8. How does it express this truth?

9) Who is “him” a reference to in verse 4? What is he called?

How else is he described?

10) What is a cornerstone?

Day 3 – Read 1 Peter 2:4-8

11) What is true about the one who trusts in the cornerstone?

Elaborate on what you think your above answer means.

12) As a result of coming to Him, what happens to us according to 1 Peter 2:5?

Notice the plurality of this statement in 1 Peter 2:5. What implications does that have for our lives as believers?

13) How are our spiritual sacrifices acceptable?

14) What 4 things have we been told are “living” thus far in our study of I Peter?

1) 1 Peter 1:3 _____

2) 1 Peter 1:23 _____

3) 1 Peter 2:4 _____

4) 1 Peter 2:5 _____

Day 4 – Read 1 Peter 2:4-8

15) Who are the two groups of people mentioned in verse 7?

Discuss the relationship of the two different groups of people to the stone.

16) Why does the second group stumble?

17) How are believers described in 1 Peter 2:9?

18) Why are these such amazing terms to use to refer to these believers? Read Exodus 19:4-6 for additional insight.

19) For what purpose were the chosen people, belonging to God, made a royal priesthood and a holy nation?

20) List and discuss several ways that those who belong to God “proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light”.

Day 5 – 1 Peter 2:1-10

21) What else is said about these believers in verse 10?

Similar language is used in the Old Testament book of Hosea. Read Hosea 1:6-9 and 2:23. Think about what you know about the story of Hosea (It's okay if you don't know the story.) How does this shed light on the words we read in Peter?

22) Read Ephesians 2:11-22. How do these verses help us understand even more about what Peter is saying in 1 Peter 2:4-10?

23) Notice almost all the pronouns in this passage are plural. What does this tell you about your salvation and the church (those who belong to God)?

How is this counterculture?

- Make notes about these key words/themes:

God

Spirit/spiritual

Save/salvation

- Vocabulary reminding believers that they are God's people, living as foreigners, strangers, and exiles in this world