

LIVING
HOPE

THE MESSAGE OF 1 PETER

WHY WE SHOULD LIVE A HOLY LIFE:

- We should be holy in our lifestyle because of the nature of God
(1:15-16) *“Be Holy for I am Holy”*
- We should be holy in our lifestyle because of our calling from God
(1:17) *We are “temporary residents”*
- We should be holy in our lifestyle because of cost of salvation
(1:18-21) *“Precious blood of Christ”*

Verses 17–21 form one long sentence in the original language, which further explains the call to a new life of holiness in light of who God is.

1 Peter 1:17, NIV:

"Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear."

***From the Bible we can surmise that
God will ask us two crucial questions:***

First,

“What did you do with my Son, Jesus Christ?”

BELIEVE & RECEIVE

“Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God”

John 1:12

Second Question,

“What did you do with what I gave you?”

What did you do with your life—all the gifts, talents, opportunities, energy, relationships, and resources God gave you? Did you spend them on yourself, or did you use them for the purposes God made you for?

SO HOW SHOULD YOU RESPOND?

“live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.”

1 Peter 1:17

Think for a moment about your life in relation to this whole passage of 1 Peter 1:13-25 and use the acronym SPACESTEP to consider, is there:

S.in to confess?

P.romise to claim?

A.ttitude to change?

C.ommand to obey?

E.xample to follow?

S.omething to praise God for?

T.ruth to believe?

E.rror to avoid?

P.rayer to pray?

TALK IT OUT:
QUESTIONS FOR GROUP DISCUSSION TUESDAY 21st JULY 2020

1. What are the practical ways you can “prepare your minds for action” like in verse 13?
2. What are some self-destructive and ways from prior generations of your family that God has ransomed and rescued you from?
3. What does holiness practically in your life, look like for you?
4. What is your favourite thing that teaches about Jesus in this section of Scripture? Why?
5. According to verse 22, our loving with Jesus should cause us to love other Christians like family – which Christians have loved you well?
6. Peter makes some statements about the Bible being trustworthy. Do you have any struggles accepting all of God’s Word as trustworthy and true? If so, what parts or why?