

# Our Sojourning

1 Peter 1

# Peter

- **'Simon'** and **'Peter'** – 219 occurrences
  - **'John'** – 41 occurrences
- “Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; **The first, Simon, who is called Peter**, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother” Matthew 10:2
- John 1 – **Peter meets the Lord Jesus** (early 27 AD)
- Mathew 4 – **He's called by the Lord Jesus** (early 28 AD)
- Luke 5 – **His calling is confirmed** (early 28 AD)



# The Spirit of Christ in the Prophets

- Isaac going with Abraham to be sacrificed
- Joseph being betrayed but saving his brothers
- Moses delivering the law including: priests, offerings, the whole tabernacle
- Joshua leading them into the land
- David conquering Goliath
- Messianic Psalms, e.g. Psalm 8, 22, 16, 18, 69, 119 etc.
- Hezekiah's illness and subsequent revival; Isaiah's servant prophecies
- Jeremiah's suffering

Old Testament Reference		1 Peter	
Exodus 12:11	thus shall ye eat it; with your <b>loins girded</b>	<b>Gird</b> up your <b>loins</b>	1:13
Exodus 24:7	All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be <b>obedient</b> .	as <b>obedient</b> children	1:14
Psalms 106:14	<b>lusted</b> exceedingly in the wilderness	<b>lusts</b>	1:14
Exodus 32:4	<b>fashioned</b> it [calf] with a graving tool	not <b>fashioning</b> yourselves	1:14
Lev 11:45	therefore be <b>holy</b> , for I am <b>holy</b> .	be ye <b>holy</b> for I am <b>holy</b>	1:16
Exodus 12:40	the <b>sojourning</b> of the children of Israel	time of your <b>sojourning</b>	1:17
Exodus 15:13	the people which thou hast <b>redeemed</b>	<b>redeemed</b>	1:18

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Exodus 12:5	Your <b>lamb</b> shall be <b>without blemish</b>	<b>lamb without blemish</b>	1:19
Exodus 19:6	ye shall be unto me a kingdom of <b>priests</b> , and an <b>holy</b> nation	<b>holy priesthood</b>	2:5
Exodus 12:27	It <i>is</i> the <b>sacrifice</b> of the LORD'S Passover	spiritual <b>sacrifices</b>	2:5
Exodus 19:6	ye shall be unto me a <b>kingdom of priests</b> , and an <b>holy nation</b>	<b>royal priesthood</b> , an <b>holy nation</b> , a peculiar people	2:9
Exodus 14:20	<b>darkness</b> <i>to them</i> , but it gave <b>light</b> by night <i>to these</i> :	<b>darkness...light</b>	2:9

## Exodus

12:11 “the LORD’s **Passover**”

12:3 “ye shall **keep** it” [the lamb]

12:11 “lions **girded**, your **shoes** on your feet”

14:19 “**angel** of God, which went before the camp”

14:21 “the LORD caused the sea to go back”

Psalm 34:7 “then **angel** of the LORD encampeth around about them that fear him, and **delivereth** them”

## Acts 12

12:4 “the **Passover**” [Easter]

12:5 “**kept** in prison”

12:8 “**gird** thyself and bind on thy **sandals**”

12:9 “done by the **angel**”

12:10 the iron gate opened of its own accord

12:11 “the Lord hath sent his **angel** and hath **delivered** me”

# Peter's use of Psalm 34

- v7, “The **angel** of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and **delivereth** them.” – [See Acts 12:11](#)
- v8, O **taste** and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.” – [See 1 Peter 2:3](#)
- v12-16, What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it...” – [See 1 Peter 3:19-22](#)



## 1 Peter 1:2-5

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# Key lessons

- Have the courage to **follow the Lord**
- **Never savour** [set our affections on] **man's thinking over God's**
- **Trust in God's enduring word**
- **Deny self** and put the needs of others first

“Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit **unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently**”

Our Example to Follow

1 Peter 2



# 1 Peter 2:1 “laying aside”

- Romans 13:12 “**cast off** the works of darkness”
- Ephesians 4:22 “**put off** concerning the former conversation the old man”
- Ephesians 4:25 “**put away** lying”
- Colossians 3:8 “**put off** all these; anger, malice...”
- Hebrews 12:1 “**lay aside** every weight, and the sin...”
- James 1:21 “**lay apart** all filthiness...”



1 Peter 2: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (5times)

The temple stones, Matthew 24:2

# The Lord Jesus and Us

Jesus - "a **living stone**,  
**disallowed** indeed of  
men, but **chosen** of God,  
*and precious*"

Behold, I lay in Sion a chief  
corner **stone**, **elect**, **precious...**

Unto you therefore which  
believe he is precious: but  
unto them which be  
disobedient, the **stone** which  
the builders **disallowed**"

"**Ye** also, as **lively  
stones**, are built up a  
spiritual house, an  
**holy priesthood**"

But **ye** are a **chosen**  
generation, a royal  
**priesthood**, an **holy**  
nation, a peculiar people.

# Citations in 1 Peter

- Connected by Hezekiah
  - The suffering servant
  - The OT demanded the Messiah would suffer
- The stumbling block to the Jews was Jesus' suffering; He was **rejected** because he was a suffering servant, not simply a conquering king. **Mark 8:21-24, 31, Luke 9:22, 17:25**

<b>1 Peter</b>	<b>Cited from</b>
1:24-25	Isaiah 40
2:6	Isaiah 28
2:7	Psalms 118:22
2:8	Isaiah 8:14
2:9	Hosea 1:6,9,10, 2:23
2:24-25	Isaiah 53:5-6

# Gentiles included

“whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? As he saith also in Hosea, **I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved.**”

Romans 9:24-25

# A Spiritual Journey

Chapter 1	Chapter 2
13, Gird up the loins of your mind	11, Strangers and pilgrims
14, Not fashioning yourselves according to the former <b>lusts</b> in your ignorance	11, Abstain from fleshly <b>lusts</b> [think of Israel lusting after the things of Egypt!]
15, Be ye holy in all manner of <b>conversation</b>	12, Having your <b>conversation</b> honest

“let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.” 1 Corinthians 5:8

Matthew 5:3-12	1 Peter
"blessed are the <b>meek</b> "	"But <i>let it be</i> the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, <i>even the ornament</i> of a <b>meek</b> and quiet spirit" (3:4)
"blessed are they that do hunger and thirst after <b>righteousness</b> "	"we, being dead to sins, should live unto <b>righteousness</b> " (2:24)
"blessed are the merciful, for they shall <b>obtain mercy</b> "	" <i>are</i> now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have <b>obtained mercy.</b> " (2:10)
"blessed are the <b>pure in heart</b> "	" <u>Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth</u> through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, <i>see that ye</i> love one another with a <b>pure heart</b> fervently:" (1:22)
"blessed are the <b>peacemakers</b> "	"Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek <b>peace</b> , and ensue it." (3:11)
" <b>blessed</b> are they which are <b>persecuted for righteousness sake</b> "	"But and if ye <b>suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye:</b> and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;" (3:14)
" <b>Blessed</b> are ye, when <i>men</i> shall <b>revile</b> you, and persecute <i>you</i>	"If ye be <b>reproached</b> for the name of Christ, <b>happy are ye;</b> for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you" (4:14)

# 'Good works' can be 'submission'

Paul writing to Titus, the same message

- **Good works x6**

- Titus 1:16, 2:7, 2:14, 3:1, 3:8, 3:14

- **Submission x3**

- “**obedient** to their own **husbands**” 2:7
- “servants to be **obedient** unto their own **masters**” 3:9
- “be **subject** to **principalities and powers**” 3:1



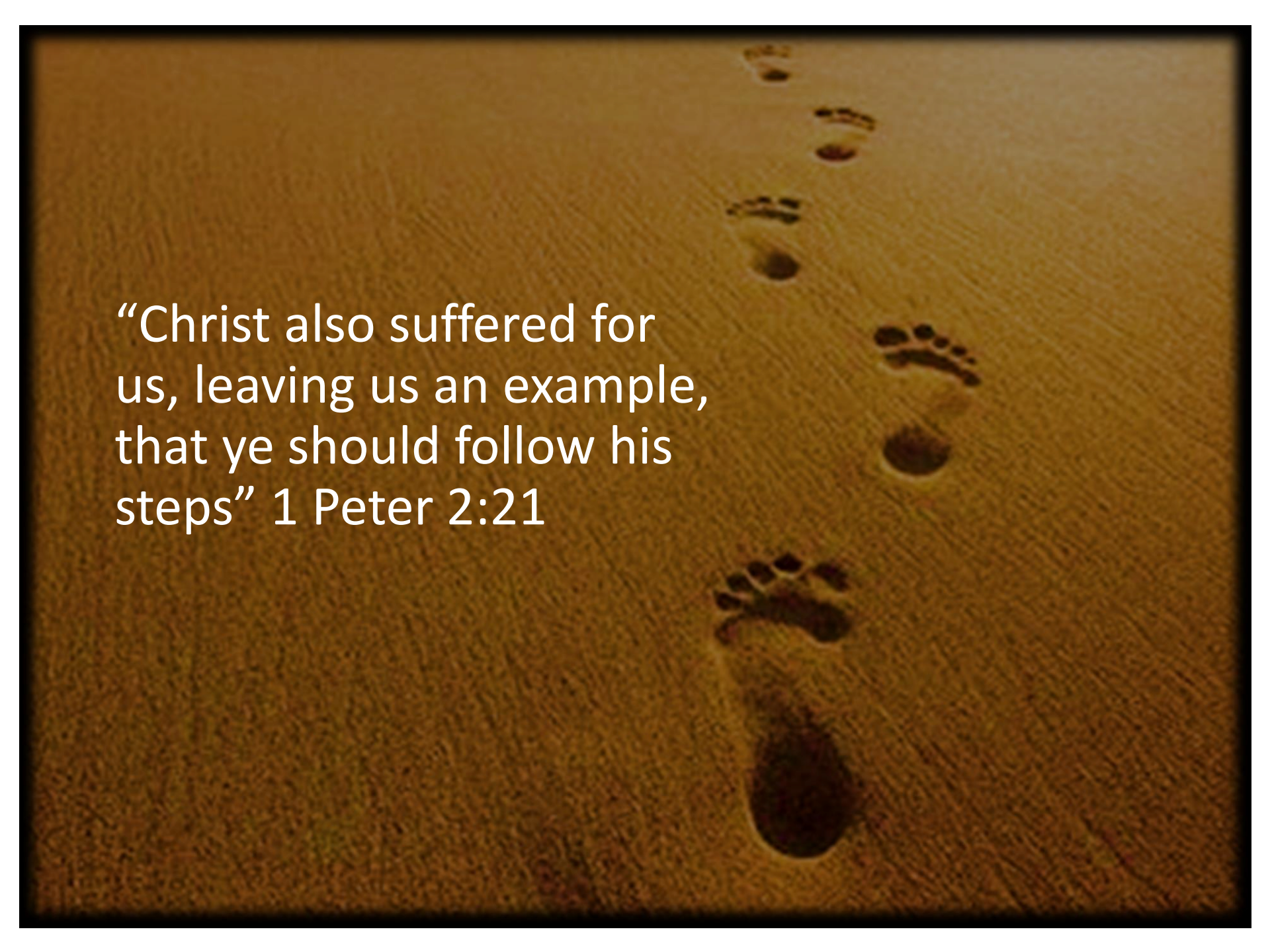
# The world won't necessarily appreciate our 'good works'

- “whereas they **speak against you** as **evildoers**, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.” 1 Peter 2:12
- “whereas they **speak evil of you**, as of **evildoers**, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.” 1 Peter 3:16

**“ Servants, obey in all things your masters** according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God; And **whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord,** and not unto men” Colossians 3:22-23

# “Strangers and Pilgrims” 1 Peter 2:11

- Daniel 4:17, **God rules in the kingdoms of men.** He’s given that authority to Christ (Ephesians 1:20-22, 1 Peter 3:22) **WE DON’T VOTE**
- Romans 13:2, 1 Peter 2:13, **Instructed not to resist the authorities, but to submit to them** **WE DON’T PROTEST**
- John 18:36, **Jesus explains that his servants are not a part of man’s kingdoms** **WE DON’T FIGHT**
- Philippians 3:20, **Our citizenship is in heaven**
  - Matthew 6:10, we pray for God’s “kingdom to come and His will to be done on earth as it is in heaven”

A photograph of footprints in sand, leading from the foreground towards the horizon. The footprints are arranged in a path that curves slightly to the right. The sand is a warm, golden-brown color, and the lighting is soft, creating a serene and contemplative atmosphere. The footprints are the central focus, symbolizing a journey or a path to follow.

“Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps” 1 Peter 2:21



## Hupogrammos

“a writing-copy, including all the letters of the alphabet, given to beginners as an aid in learning to draw them”.

Thayers' Lexicon

# Hebrew Alphabetic Acrostics

- **Psalm 9-10**
  - **Psalm 25**
  - **Psalm 34**
  - **Psalm 37**
  - **Psalm 111-112**
  - **Psalm 119**
  - **Psalm 145**
  - **Lamentations 1-4**
  - **Proverbs 31:10-31**
  - **Nahum 1: 1-9**
- Sometimes every verse starting with the next letter, sometimes, half a verse.
  - In Psalm 119 every verse with each section starts with the same letter. Lots have slight irregularities for a reason.

# Key lessons

- **The Lord Jesus Christ is our example**
  - He was the living stone; we are living stones
  - He was chosen of God; we are a chosen generation
  - He is our underwriting to copy
- **The good works God wants from us, won't necessarily be things the world values**
  - The world rejected Jesus; the world will reject us
  - We are strangers and pilgrims
  - We submit trusting we're ultimately submitting to God

# Our Manner of Life in Christ

1 Peter 3



Do we trust God is right?



“the hidden man of the heart”

“Therefore Sarah laughed **within herself**, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?” Genesis 18:12

# Heirs together – 1 Peter 3:7

“By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacle with Isaac and Jacob, the **heirs with him** of the same promise”  
Hebrews 11:9

“the Gentiles should be **fellow heirs**, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ”  
Ephesians 3:6

“if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and **joint-heirs** with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.”  
Romans 8:17

# 5 characteristics

Finally, be ye all

1. **homophron**: of **one mind**
2. **sumpathēs**: having **compassion** one of another
3. **philadelphus**: **love as brethren**
4. **eusplagchnos**: be **pitiful**
5. **philophron**: be **courteous**

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Be of one mind

**Homophron**

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Having compassion

**Sumpathes**

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Love as brethren

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Be pitiful

**Eusplagchnos**

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Be courteous

**Philophron**

1. Be of one mind
2. Have compassion
3. Love as brethren
4. Be pitiful
5. Be courteous

Philophron is what we need: a **loving mindset!** However, we need all 5 characteristics to adapt this loving mindset.

The “hidden man of the heart” is the mindset of love deep-rooted within our hearts.

# Characteristics 2 and 4

2. having **compassion** one of another - **sumpathēs**

- “*having a fellow feeling* (“sympathetic”), that is, (by implication) *mutually commiserative*: having compassion one of another.”

4. be **pitiful** - **eusplagchnos** (Cp. Ephesians 4:32)

- From **G2095** and **G4698**; *well compassioned*, that is, *sympathetic*: - pitiful, tender-hearted.
  - **G4968** - **splagchnon** - strengthened from - splēn - the “spleen”; an *intestine* (plural); figuratively *pity* or *sympathy*: - bowels, inward affection

# Developing the hidden man of the heart

1. We need to be - **all of one mind** (homo**phrōn**).
  - In order for this to lead to ‘love as brethren’ we need to:
2. **have compassion one of another** (sumpathēs).
  - If we develop that **sympathy and compassion of the brethren** we are able to:
3. **love as brethren**, (**phil**adelphos).
  - In order for this to lead to ‘be courteous’ we need to:
4. **be pitiful**, (**eusplagchnos**). A sympathy and compassion deep rooted in our bowels / our hearts - an inner affection,
  - which we need to:
5. Finally, **be courteous:**” (**philophrōn**). Develop a **loving mind**

# Psalm 34

“O taste and see that the LORD is good,  
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.” Psalm 34:8

“come ye children hearken unto me:  
I will teach you the fear of the LORD” Psalm 34:11

**Context:** “A Psalm of David, when he changed his  
behaviour before Achish; who drove him away, and  
he departed”



# “be **followers** of that which is good”

- “Be ye **followers** of me... of my ways which be in Christ”  
1 Corinthians 4:6-7
- “Be ye **followers** of me, even as I also am of Christ”  
1 Corinthians 11:1
- “Be ye **followers** of God, as dear children” Ephesians 5:1
- “ye became **followers** of us, and of the Lord”  
1 Thessalonians 1:6
- “ye became **followers** of the ecclesia of God...which are in Christ” 1 Thessalonians 2:14
- “be **followers** of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises” Hebrews 6:12

## 1 Peter 2:12

Having your **manner of life honest** among the Gentiles: that, whereas they **speak against** you as **evildoers**, they may by your **good** works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

## 1 Peter 3:16

Having a **good conscience**; that whereas they **speak evil** of you, as of **evildoers**, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your **good manner of life** in Christ.

A good manner of life starts with the **internal** – we need our hearts in the right place

# Our relationships with...

- National - governments
- Work - masters/bosses
- Home - wives and husbands
- Ecclesia - One another



...all are affected by where our heart is

# Noah's example

- “the **Spirit of Christ** that was in them was manifesting, testifying beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glory after” 1 Peter 1:11

## The ‘spirit of Christ’ was in Noah when...

- “he **preached** unto the spirits in prison”
  - cp. 2 Peter 2:5 “Noah a **preacher** of righteousness”
- “The **longsuffering** of God waited” to save
  - cp. 2 Peter 3:15 “the **longsuffering** of our Lord is salvation”
- “eight souls were saved by water”

# Key lessons

- **Trust God knows what is right** in every aspect of our lives.
- **Look to be of one mind**, by constantly coming back to the word
- Realise, **our sphere of influence starts with us, our hearts**
- **Choose to do good**, even if that means the world shouts us down
- Have confidence that **the Lord God with the Lord Jesus have control of the big picture**

# Our Suffering as Christians

1 Peter 4

“Knowing that **Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more**; death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but **in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.**

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but **alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but **yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.”**

Romans 6:5-13

# 1 Peter 4:1 “arm”

- ***hoplizō*** (G3695) verb
  - 1 Peter 4:1, **arm**
- ***hoplon*** (G3696) noun
  - John 18:3, 2 Corinthians, 10:4 **weapons**
  - Romans 6:13, **instruments**
  - Romans 13:12, 2 Corinthians 6:7, **armour**



# The will of God

- “For so is **the will of God**, that with **well doing** ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men” 1 Peter 2:15
- “For it is better, if **the will of God** be so, that ye **suffer** for **well doing**, than for evil doing” 1 Peter 3:17
- “That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to **the will of God**” 1 Peter 4:2
- “Wherefore let them that **suffer** according to **the will of God** commit the keeping of their souls to him in **well doing**, as unto a faithful Creator” 1 Peter 4:19

# Instructions at the time of the end

- Be clear thinking
- Watch and pray
- Keep love at forefront of all you do
- Be hospitable
- Keep what you say in-line with God's word
- Do what you can with what you've been blessed with

# Daniel's example

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## **The ‘spirit of Christ’ was in Daniel...**

- When he prophesied of the Lord's work
- When he was sentenced to die for doing the right thing!
- When he prophesied of his coming

# Daniel's example

- exiled from his homeland and made to live in **Babylon**
- had friends who faced a **fiery trial** for standing up for their faith in God
- made **prayer** a part of his daily life
- thrown to **lions** for praying to God
- trusted in God's **angels** to deliver
- abstained from fleshly **lusts**
- recognised he wasn't redeemed by **gold** and **silver** (Babylon and Medes & Persians)
- didn't join in **banquets** with **excess of wine**
- Outstanding in knowing the balance between **submission to rulers** and **obeying God**

Romans		1 Peter	
8:17-18	if so be that we <b>suffer</b> with him, that we may be also <b>glorified</b> together. For I reckon that the <b>sufferings</b> of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the <b>glory</b> which shall be revealed in us.	inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's <b>sufferings</b> ; that, when his <b>glory</b> shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.	4:13

Daniel		1 Peter	
7:19	I would know	Prophets have enquired	1:10
9:2	Understood by books	Searched diligently	1:10
5:4	Praised the gods of gold and silver	Not redeemed with silver and gold	1:18
1:8	would not defile himself with the king's meat	Abstain from fleshly lusts	2:11
6:4	Could find none occasion nor fault	Honest among the gentiles	2:12
4:37	Honour the king	Honour the king	2:17
6:22	My God hath sent his angel	The eye of the Lord are over the righteous	3:12

Daniel		1 Peter	
3:18	Our God is able to deliver us ... but if not	But and if ye suffer for righteousness sake	3:14
5:1-4	A great feast ... They drank wine, and praised the gods	Excess of wine, banquetings and abominable idolatries	4:3
6:10	His windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled...and prayed	Watch unto prayer	4:7
3:6	Fiery furnace	Fiery trail	4:12
6:16	Den of lions	Roaring lion	5:8
1:1	Babylon	Babylon	5:13

Romans		1 Peter	
1:16	the gospel of Christ... is the <b>power of God</b> unto <b>salvation</b> to every one that <b>believeth...</b>	Who are kept by the <b>power of God</b> through <b>faith</b> unto <b>salvation</b>	1:5
12:2	And be not <b>conformed</b> to this world	not <b>fashioning</b> yourselves according to the former lusts	1:14
2:11	There is no <b>respect of persons</b> with God	Who without <b>respect of persons</b> judgeth	1:17
10:9	<b>believe</b> in thine heart that <b>God</b> hath <b>raised him from the dead</b>	<b>Believe</b> in <b>God</b> , that <b>raised him up from the dead</b>	1:21
12:2	Present your bodies a <b>living sacrifice, holy acceptable</b> unto God, which your reasonable service.	As <b>lively</b> stones...An <b>holy</b> priesthood, to offer up spiritual <b>sacrifices acceptable</b> to God	2:5



Romans		1 Peter	
9:33	I lay in Sion a <b>stumblingstone and rock of offence</b>	<b>A stone of stumbling and a rock of offence</b>	2:8
9:25	I will call them <b>my people</b> , which <b>were not my people</b>	Which in time past <b>were not a people</b> , but are <b>now the people</b> of God	2:10
13:14	make not provision for the <b>flesh</b>	Abstain from <b>fleshly</b> lusts	2:11
13:1	Let every soul be <b>subject</b> unto the higher powers	<b>Submit</b> yourselves to every ordinance of man	2:13
13:3	Rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the <b>evil</b> ...do that which is good and thou shalt have <b>praise</b> of the same	them that are sent by him for the punishment of the <b>evildoers</b> , and for the <b>praise</b> of them that do well.	2:13

Romans		1 Peter	
6:2 6:13	we, that are <b>dead to sin...</b> yield yourselves unto God, as those that are <b>alive...</b> your members as instruments of <b>righteousness</b> unto God.	We being <b>dead to sins</b> , should <b>live</b> unto <b>righteousness</b>	2:24
12:17	<b>Recompense</b> to no man <b>evil for evil.</b>	Not <b>rendering evil for evil</b>	3:9
12:14	<b>Bless</b> and curse not	Not railing, but contrariwise <b>blessing</b>	3:9
6:4	We are buried with him by <b>baptism</b> into death: that like as <b>Christ</b> was <b>raised</b> up from the dead	<b>Baptism</b> doth also now save us...by the <b>resurrection</b> of Jesus <b>Christ</b>	3:21
8:6	To be <b>carnally</b> minded is death; but to be <b>spiritually</b> minded is life and peace	no longer should live the rest of his time in the <b>flesh...</b> live according to God in the <b>spirit</b>	4:2, 6

# Christian Persecution by Rome

“The fundamental cause of persecution was the Christians’ conscientious **rejection of the gods** whose favour was believed to have brought success to the empire. But distrust was increased by Christian detachment and **reluctance to serve in the imperial service and in the army.**”

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Christianity/Relations-between-Christianity-and-the-Roman-government-and-the-Hellenistic-culture>

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Matthew 5	1 Peter 4
12, “ <b>Rejoice</b> and be <b>exceeding glad</b> , for great is your reward in heaven”	13, <b>rejoice</b> in as much as ye are partakers of Christ’s sufferings; that when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with <b>exceeding joy</b> ”
11, “ <b>Blessed</b> are ye, when <i>men</i> shall <b>revile</b> you, and persecute <i>you</i> ”	14, “If ye be <b>reproached</b> for the name of Christ, <b>happy are ye</b> ; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you”
16, “they may see your good works and <b>glorify</b> your Father”	16, “let him <b>glorify</b> God on his behalf”

# Commit our lives to God

“Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God **commit** the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.” 1 Peter 4:19

“Father, into thy hands I **commend** my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.” Luke 23:46

“Into thine hand I **commit** my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.” Psalm 31:5

# Lessons to take

- Keep **clear heads**, pray, **watch**, be **loving**, **hospitable**, stick to the word in what we're saying, use the talents we have in God's service
  - Use prayer to bring our will in line with God's will  
"thy will be done"
- How **wonderful the scriptures are!**
- Look to **examples of faithful men and women** – people like Daniel and friends, the brothers and sisters in Rome, David – of course the Lord Jesus
- **The atonement must impact our lives**

# Our Crown of Glory

1 Peter 5



# Chapter 1 – the sureness of our hope because it's based on the word

- **Certainty of our hope** – the resurrection of the Lord – it's secure, it's stable, it's solid!
- Therefore through the challenges of our lives, hold on
- The whole Bible has been building to this culmination – **God's salvation in the Lord Jesus**
  - The prophets were looking into it
  - The angels were looking into it
  - The exodus spoke of it – and it speaks of our journey of faith too
- **Our lives need to reflect our calling** – being holy because God is holy; loving one another
- Where the flesh will fail, **the word of God is eternal**, therefore these are the values we want to live.

# Chapter 2 – the example of the Lord Jesus for us

- **The Lord Jesus** - the word made flesh (our hupogrammos), **he is the example for us to follow:**
  - He was a **living stone** – as are we being members of the ecclesial house
  - He was **chosen of God** – as are we, the new Israel a royal priesthood, a holy nation
  - In him was **no guile**, he was perfect in every way.  
Although he was perfect, he was **rejected** of men
- As followers of Jesus, this maybe our path: **we are strangers and pilgrims** in this life
- The **good works** God values in our lives are not necessarily the things the world values, e.g. **submission** (hupotasso) – to rulers, bosses, husbands, each other

# Chapter 3 – focus on the internal and the positive, doing good

- **Be of one mind** (homophron) – **‘the mind of Christ’**
  - He was the word made flesh, so come back to the Word
- The Word can help us to develop a **loving mindset** (philophron) to support all our relationships
- **Our sphere of influence starts with us: our minds, our conscience, our hearts.**
- Make a choice to **‘do good’**, even if that means the world shouts us down as it would have to men like Noah.
- Have absolute confidence that **the Lord God with the Lord Jesus have control of the big picture**

# Chapter 4 – recognise we may suffer as Christians and support each other

- Practical lessons in **living in the last days to support each other**:
  - keep **clear heads, pray** (bring our will in line with God's will), **watch, be loving, hospitable**
  - Be stewards of the 'manifold grace' of God
  - stick to the word in what we're **saying**, use the talents we have in God's **service**
- Change our mindset on **suffering**: see it as a privilege, a joy even, to suffer for Christ's sake.
- **Look to examples of faithful men and women**
  - Daniel and his friends
  - The brothers and sisters in Rome
  - The Lord Jesus Christ, who committed his life to God.
- Ensure **the atonement impacts our lives** – our lives are about God's will.

# Chapter 5 – keep the Lord's example in mind and trust in God's care

- The Lord Jesus Christ's example for us all:
  - The **chief shepherd** who **fed the flock**
  - The **servant** who **clothed himself with humility**
    - Elders within the ecclesia should be examples/**types** demonstrating these principles
    - The whole ecclesia needs to work together to develop this spirit of **humility** which will help us learn to **submit**
- Cast our cares upon **God; remain resolute in our faith** (realising that the challenges, the suffering, we face are common across the brotherhood).
- Believe **God can strengthen us in every way** to bring us to His **eternal glory**

# Our salvation in Christ

- “Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace *that should come* unto you: Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.” 1 Peter 1:10-11

Gospel Reference		1 Peter	
John 13:4	Jesus took a towel and <b>girded</b> himself	<b>Gird</b> yourself with humility (RV)	5:5
John 13:15	I have given you an <b>example</b> [G5262]	Leaving us an <b>example</b> [G5261] to follow	2:21
Luke 22:32	When thou art converted, <b>strengthen</b> thy brethren	After ye have suffered a little while, make you perfect, <b>stablish</b> ...you.	5:10
Luke 22:42	Not my <b>will</b> , but thine be done	According to the <b>will of God</b>	4:19
Matt 26:41	<b>Watch</b> and <b>pray</b>	<b>watch</b> unto <b>prayer</b>	4:7
Matt 27:39	They <b>reviled</b> him	He is <b>evil spoken</b> of	4:14
Luke 23:46	Father, into thy hands I <b>commit</b> my spirit	Them that suffer... <b>commit</b> the keeping of their souls to him	4:19
John 21:16	<b>Feed</b> my <b>sheep</b>	<b>Feed</b> the <b>flock</b> of God	5:2
John 10:11	I am the good <b>shepherd</b>	The chief <b>Shepherd</b>	5:4

# Suffering before the Glory

“ye are **partakers** of Christ’s **sufferings**” 1 Peter 4:13

“also a **partaker** of the **glory** that shall be revealed”

1 Peter 5:1

“According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to **glory** and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be **partakers** of the divine nature” 2 Peter 1:3-4



# Ensample (typos)

“Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an **ensample**.”  
Philippians 3:7

“Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an **example** of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12

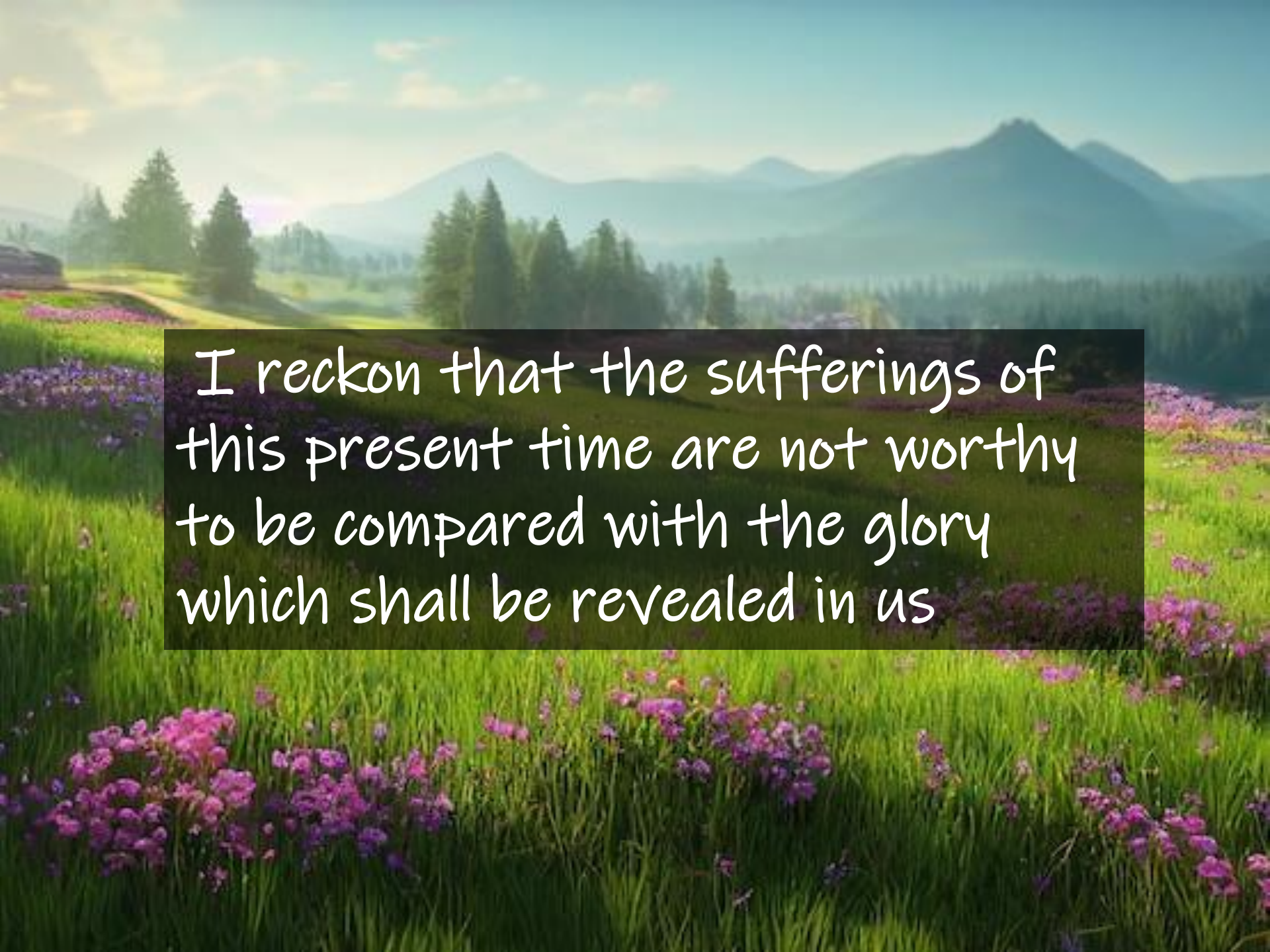
“In all things shewing thyself a **pattern** of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity”  
Titus 2:7

# God gives us strength...

1. He will **repair us** – in Him is forgiveness
2. He will **direct us** – set us on the path to Jerusalem!
3. He will give us **strength to stand** (a unique word)
4. He will **ground us** – we're “**founded** upon a rock”

# The Manifold Grace of God – blessings of being in the Truth

- Comfort of the scriptures
- Care in our daily lives
- Morals and values in a world of uncertainty
- Friends you can trust and talk to
- Prayer: to offload & confess
- Temporal blessings – food, clothing etc.
- Hospitality around the world
- A purpose to life
- A peace of mind in decisions
- Reasons to be thankful
- Marriage in the Lord
- A sense of belonging
- Being content with our lot
- Forgiveness
- A peace of mind in politics
- Love of nature
- Appreciation of music
- Opportunity for service

A scenic landscape featuring a dirt road winding through a lush green field filled with vibrant purple flowers. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a clear blue sky with soft, wispy clouds. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

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Extra slides

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John 3:3	Except a man be <b>born again</b>	<b>Begotten us again</b>	1:3
Matt 5:12, 6:20	Great is your reward in <b>heaven</b>	Reserved in <b>heaven</b> for you	1:4
John 16:16, 20:29	Blessed are they that have <b>not seen</b> , and yet have believed	Though now ye <b>see him not</b>	1:8
Luke 10:24	Many <b>prophets</b> and kings desired to see those things which ye see	The <b>prophets</b> have enquired and searched diligently	1:10
Luke 24:26	Ought not Christ to have <b>suffered</b> these things and to enter into his <b>glory</b>	The <b>sufferings</b> of Christ and the <b>glory</b> that should follow	1:11
Luke 12:35	Let your <b>loins</b> be <b>girded</b> about	<b>Gird</b> up the <b>loins</b> of your mind	1:13
John 1:29	Behold the <b>lamb</b> of God	The precious blood of Christ, a <b>lamb</b> without blemish	1:19
John 1:13	<b>born</b> , not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh...but of God	<b>Born</b> again, not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible	1:23
Luke 20:17	<b>The stone which the builders rejected</b>	<b>The stone which the builders rejected</b>	2:7
Matt 5:16	They may <b>see</b> your <b>good works</b> and <b>glorify</b> your father which in heaven	Your <b>good works</b> which they shall <b>behold, glorify</b> God	2:12
Mark 1:25	Hold thy <b>peace</b>	Put to <b>silence</b>	2:15
John 10:11	I am the good <b>shepherd</b>	The <b>Shepherd</b> and Bishop of your souls	2:25
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# 1 Peter

1:3 – 2:10

2:11 – 3:17

3:18 –  
4:6

4:7 – 5:11

The High Calling in Christ

1:3 – 1:12

The Salvation & Glory Promised  
...in Christ

1:13 – 1:25

The Need for Personal Rebirth and Holiness  
...in Christ

2:1 – 2:10

The need to build the ecclesia  
...in Christ

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1:3 – 2:10

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3:18 –  
4:6

4:7 – 5:11

Behavior and witness amongst the unbelievers

2:11-  
12

2:13-17  
Submission to  
Government

2: 18-25  
Submission to Masters

3: 1-7  
Submission to  
Husbands

3:8-17  
Suffering patiently for  
righteousness' sake



# 1 Peter

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The Supreme Example of Christ

3: 18-22  
Suffering to bring salvation

4: 1-6  
Suffering to set the example for us

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2:11 – 3:17

3:18 –  
4:6

4:7 – 5:11

Preparation for Harder times to come

4: 7-11  
Support Each Other

4: 12-19  
Change your mindset – rejoice in  
suffering

5: 1-7  
Elders and younger – work  
together

5: 8-11  
Be Sober and  
ready

# Hezekiah's Inclusive Passover

Time of Hezekiah	1 <sup>st</sup> Century
2 Chron 30:15, “ <b>sanctified</b> themselves and brought in the burnt <b>offerings</b> ”	2:5, “a <b>holy</b> priesthood, to offer up spiritual <b>sacrifices</b> ”
Isaiah 9:2-3, “Galilee of the <b>nations</b> . The people that walked in <b>darkness</b> have seen a great <b>light</b> ”	2:9, “called you out of <b>darkness</b> into his marvellous <b>light</b> ”
2 Chron 30:25, “the <b>strangers</b> that came out of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in Judah, rejoiced”	2:10,-11 “in time past were not a people... I beseech you as <b>strangers</b> and pilgrims”
2 Chron 30:19, “The good LORD pardon every one <i>that</i> prepareth his <b>heart</b> to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though <i>he be not cleansed</i> according to the <b>purification</b> of the sanctuary”	1:21, “Seeing <u>ye have <b>purified</b> your souls in obeying the truth</u> through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a <b>pure heart</b> fervently”

# Jesus' rejection

“Jesus began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be **rejected** of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.” Mark 8:31

He was rejected because he taught, and lived, the need for suffering before glory.

Cp. 'rejected' in Luke 9:22, 17:25

# Rock of offence

“That thou art Peter, and upon this **rock** I will build my church” Matthew 16:18

“From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that **he must go unto Jerusalem and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed,** and be raised again the third day”

“He turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an **offence** unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.” Matthew 16:23

# We must follow the word

“he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for **a rock of offence** to both the houses of Israel” Isaiah 8:14

“Bind up the **testimony**, seal the **law** among my disciples...

To the **law** and to the **testimony**: if they speak not according to this word, *it is because there is no light in them.*” Isaiah 8:16, 20

# 1 Peter 4:17-18

“for when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the **ungodly**. For **scarcely** for a **righteous** man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet **sinner**s, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:6-8

“Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to **obey**, his servants ye are to whom ye **obey**; whether of sin unto death, or of **obedience** unto righteousness?” Romans 6:16

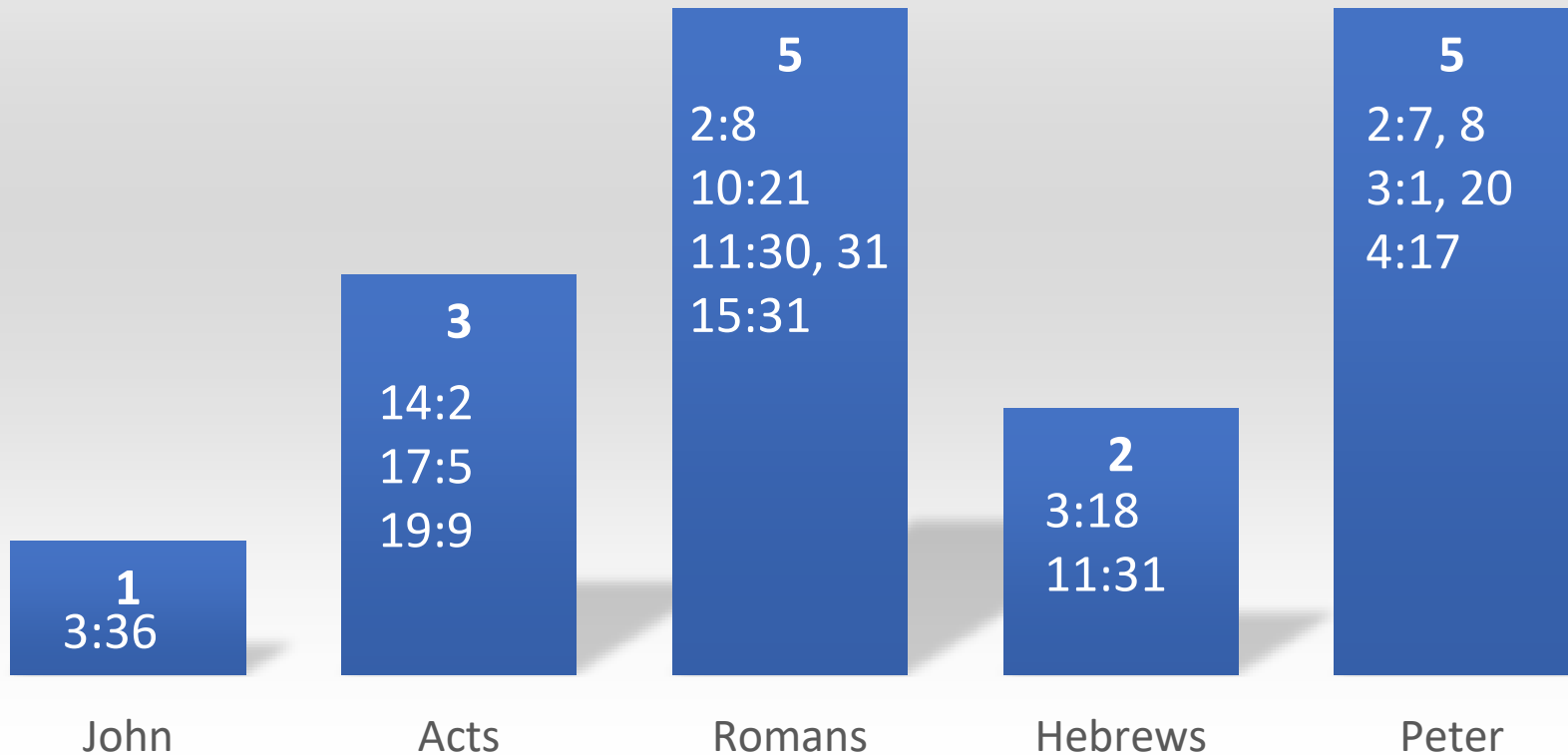
“What shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?”

“What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is **death**.

But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end **everlasting life**.” Romans 6:21-22



*apeitheō*  
*'unbelief' or 'disobey'*



Psalm 31	1 Peter
3, “thou art my <b>rock</b> ”	Meaning of <b>Peter</b> ’s name
4, “thou art my <b>strength</b> ”	5:10, God “make you perfect, stablish, <b>strengthen</b> , settle you”
5, “Into thine hand I <b>commit</b> my spirit”	4:19, “ <b>commit</b> the keeping of their souls to him”
11, “I was a <b>reproach</b> among all mine enemies”	4:16, “If ye be <b>reproached</b> for the name of Christ”
16, “ <b>save</b> me for thy mercies sake”	4:18, “if the righteous scarcely be <b>saved</b> ”
17, “let me not be <b>ashamed</b> , O LORD, for I have called upon thee”	4:16, “if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be <b>ashamed</b> ”

“Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.”