

# Standing Firm in the True Grace of God

*1 Peter*

Who was Peter writing to?

What are the main themes Peter is writing about?

What circumstances were the people in that Peter was writing too?

## **SALVATION FROM A FORMER LUSTS AND A FUTILE WAY OF LIFE**

Chapter 1: Jesus' precious blood has redeemed us from our "futile way of life" (v.19) so that we would "obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away," (v.4) Peter warns and exhorts the believers in verses 13-16. Why do you think this was an important way to start his letter to these believers? What do you think is in these verses that teaches us about the true grace of God and a false grace?

## **BECOMING HOLY IN ALL MY BEHAVIOR 1:15, 2:12 & 3:6 – "to those who are chosen"**

"...by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood:" 1:2

1. Submission with all respect: 2:18-20 – What is the test here that proves I am standing firm?
2. Wives (3:1-6) & Husbands (3:7) – What can we learn from these verses that stands out about true grace and false grace in a man or woman's life?
3. Fervent love for children of God (4:7-11)

## **Romans 5:1-5 – standing firm with an overwhelming sense of gratitude! 1 Peter 1:8**

*"The solution to this problem is not to add legalism to grace. Rather, the solution is to be so gripped by the magnificence and boundless generosity of God's grace that we respond out of gratitude rather than out of a sense of duty....I am committed in these areas out of a grateful response to God's grace, not to try to earn God's blessing." - Jerry Bridges*

Jesus asked Peter, "do you love Me?"

## **STANDING FIRM THROUGH SUFFERING & TRIALS 2:21-25, 3:13-18, 4:1-2, 4:12-19**

**2:23 & 4:19** – What does it mean for us to "entrust" ourselves to God? And how does the warning in **Hebrews 12:15** apply to suffering and trials?

How do you see that an accurate understanding of how God uses suffering and trials in a believers life helps us keep from becoming bitter about the circumstances of life and in our battle with Satan (v.6-10)?

Peter says, "I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it!" (5:12)

How have you seen in the study that the true grace we need not only helps us in doctrine but also in our life?

**Memory verse: 1 Peter 1:13**



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