

1 Peter 1:13-21 Study Questions

1. How should Peter's readers prepare their minds? See 2 Kings 4:29 and Luke 17:8. Why does he start with the mind? What is the relationship between thinking and action? See Pro. 23:7
2. What grace awaits believers when Jesus Christ returns? See 2 Thess 1:5-10 and Titus 2: 11-13.
3. Peter challenges his readers to be obedient children of God. What is the basis for this new direction? Compare Titus 3:3-5 and Romans 6:4. What is the nature of obedience? See Ephesians 4: 18-22. To what extent (what areas of life) are believers called to be holy? Verse 15 and 2 Corinthians 7:1
4. God describes himself as holy. What does holiness mean? See Revelation 15:4, 2 Tim 6:16 and Isa 6:1-5 How can sinful human beings be holy? Compare 2 Timothy 1:9, 2 Peter 1:3 and Isaiah 6:6-8
5. Since God has pardoned sinners for the sake of what Jesus did in our place, what is the basis of God's impartial judgment mentioned in verse 17? See Romans 14:10-12 and 1 Cor. 3: 12-15. How would this motivate believers ready to cave in to worldly pressure?
6. What does it mean to be a stranger in the world? See Hebrews 11:13-16 and 1 Chronicles 29:15 "Reverent fear" is a wonderful expression. What does it mean to you? See Hebrews 12:28 and Psalm 2: 10-12.
7. Peter reminds his believing readers that they are redeemed in verse 18. What is the main idea of redemption? See Romans 8:2-3, Gal. 3:13. How did Peter emphasize this when he described Jesus as a spotless lamb? See Lev. 22:20-25. How does this compare to gold and silver? Psalm 49:7-8
8. From what were the believers redeemed? What is "the empty way of life"? See Jeremiah 2:5 and Acts 14:15. Philippians 3:3-7 tells us this is even true of religious people. Gentile pagans are also guilty: 1 Peter 4:3.
9. According to verse 20, when was the plan of redemption conceived? See John 17: 24 and Rev. 13:8. When will this plan be finished—what does "last times" mean to you? See Acts 2:17 and Heb. 1:2, also James 5:3 and 2 Peter 3:3. And John 12:48.
10. Write a letter to a Christian who has given in to the world. Use the information in this passage to open their eyes and motivate them to true goodness.