

1 Peter 1:10-12

Discussion Questions

1. How is the situation Peter addresses similar to that which the writer to the Hebrews faced? Compare 1 Peter 1:6 with Hebrews 10:32-34
2. How could the prophets identify with what Peter's readers experienced? See the experience Jeremiah went through as a prophet of the Lord. Jeremiah 1:17-19; 26:7-9; 38:7-9. How is this true for all the prophets? See Acts 7:52
3. As the prophets brought the light of God's Word to the darkness of the human situation, it had a present application. How did it help the people to "understand the times"? See Matthew 16:3. How did Daniel compare what Jeremiah said earlier (Jeremiah 25:11-12) with the time in which he lived? See Daniel 9: 1-3, 19.
4. The prophets also had a message with a future application? What was the goal of those prophesies? How was their particular prophecy like a piece of a puzzle? Did they understand how their "piece" fit in with the bigger picture? Luke 24:25-27
5. How are Old Testament prophets really the servants of New Testament believers? See Matthew 13:17 and Acts 10:43.
6. How does the message of the prophets find new power through the teaching of the apostles? See Acts 1:21-22; 17: 2-3; 28:23
7. How does the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church connected with Christ's work of redemption? See Acts 2:33.
8. What is the role of the Holy Spirit in the proclamation of the message? See Acts 4:8; 4:31; 26:22-23. How does the Holy Spirit empower believers to put the message into practice? See 1 Thessalonians 1:5-6
9. How do angels figure into the salvation God has in store for His children? See Hebrews 1:14. What do human beings experience that angels get excited about? See Hebrews 2:5, Luke 15:10 and Daniel 8:13
10. How does prophecy, the teaching of the apostles and the ministry of God's angels encourage believers facing difficult situations? See 2 Peter 1: 3-4, 19