

I Peter #1

Chapter 1

- 1) Despite what any "Bible teacher" might claim, who obviously wrote this letter (book)?
- 2) According to verse 1, do the believers he is writing to, fit into the world?
- 3) These people are chosen according to: (chose one)
 - a) Who lives righteously
 - b) The foreknowledge of God
 - c) Who is born in a Christian family
- 4) Who *sanctifies* (sets apart) the believer for the Lord?
- 5) What event mentioned in verse 3, sets Jesus apart from every other religious figure in history?
- 6) "Caused us to be _____ again to a _____ hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ."
- 7) Some say that believers spend eternity on the earth, but according to this verse, where does the believer clearly have reservations?
- 8) What protects my salvation?
- 9) Can you rejoice even when you are going through trials?
- 10) When we prove our faith through trials, what is the result?
- 11) Do you see Jesus?
- 12) Do you have to see him to love Him or to believe in Him?
- 13) What is the final outcome of your faith?
- 14) Who carefully tried to search out and inquire about our salvation?
- 15) Sometimes the prophets had a hard time seeing clearly if the Messiah would suffer or if He would be a conquering ruler and judge. Have both of these already happened?
- 16) Which matches up to "the sufferings of Christ"?
 - a) The first coming and life of Jesus
 - b) The second coming of Jesus
- 17) How about, "the glories to follow"?
 - a) The first coming and life of Jesus
 - b) The second coming of Jesus
- 18) Did God let these curious prophets know that these predictions were for the future?
- 19) Who else wanted to know about our salvation?
- 20) Are we supposed to **fix our hope** and expectation for the future (partially, mostly or completely) on the grace that will be brought to us when Jesus comes again?
- 21) Is that hard to do?
- 22) The next few verses tell us how to do that. In these verses we are encouraged to act as, "obedient _____".
- 23) The word, "conformed," means, "to be pressed into a mold." What mold of the world does God want us to avoid?
- 24) God doesn't want us to continue to be the way we used to be before we knew the Lord. Who does He want us to be like, and in what way are we to be like Him?
- 25) Explain how the word, "all," in verse 15, is important.
- 26) Memorize this phrase as a reminder: "_____ shall be holy, for I am _____."
- 27) Do we need more of an emphasis on **holiness** in our lives?
- 28) Does God play favorites when He judges?
- 29) Should we have any fear about standing before the Lord someday to give an account of our lives?
- 30) How is the life that we inherited from our ancestors described in verse 18? (chose one)
 - a) The good life
 - b) It's a wonderful life
 - c) A futile way of life
 - d) The purpose driven life
- 30) When they sacrificed an unblemished and spotless lamb in Israel, what was the Lord illustrating and pointing to?
- 31) Verse 21 says that we are believers in God through Jesus. According to Acts 4:12, is there any other way to believe in or come to God?
- 32) According to verse 22, when we were born again, we had our hearts purified to have the ability to love one another. Does it happen automatically or do we still have to follow through and do it?
- 33) What seed caused us to be born again?
 - a) The seed of love
 - b) the living Word of God
 - c) kindness
- 34) When you share the word, do you know what the results will be? (see I Corinthians 3:6&7)
- 35) Which of these things will last?
 - a) grass
 - b) your health
 - c) your physical body
 - d) the Word of God
- 36) Does it sound like you are wasting the time you are spending in the word?

I Peter #2

Chapter 2:1-21

- 1) When you see the word, “therefore” you want to notice what it is there for! What was Peter talking about in chapter 1 verses 23-25?
- 2) What does he tell us to put aside?
- 3) What does he tell us to long for?
- 4) When he tells us to put aside 5 sinful things before he tells us to long for the milk of the word, does it sound like those things stand in the way of the word being effective?
- 5) What will be the result of getting a steady diet of the milk of the word?
- 6) Can you grow in your salvation if you have never tasted the kindness of the Lord (been saved)?
- 7) What is, “the milk of the word,” according to Hebrews 5:12-14? (chose one)
a) Any Scripture b) Only the New Testament c) Elementary (simple) truths of the Word
- 8) What do babies need? a) Milk b) Meat c) Money
- 9) What do new Christians need? a) Milk of the word (simple truths) a) Meat (tough passages)
- 10) Do we sometimes need to go back to milk, according to Hebrews 5:12?
- 11) Who is the living stone rejected by men?
- 12) Who else have become “living stones”?
- 13) Who is part of the holy priesthood? a) All believers b) Levites c) Every person
- 14) Verse 6 quotes Isaiah 28:16. So, does the Old Testament talk about believing in Christ?
- 15) Some people did not believe in Jesus as the Messiah. Which will He be to believers?
a) A stone to trip over b) A precious corner stone to build your life on
- 16) Which will he be for the unbeliever?
a) A stone to trip over b) A precious corner stone to build your life on
- 17) “You are a chosen _____, a royal priesthood, a _____ nation, a people for God's own _____, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you _____ _____ darkness _____ His marvelous light;”
- 18) What verse contains the fulfillment to the prophecy found in Hosea 1:9&10?
- 19) What verse also contains the fulfillment of the prophecy found in Hosea 2:23?
- 20) Look at verse 11. Are we supposed to fit in with the world?
- 21) What will, without a doubt, wage war against your soul?
- 22) Do you feel that battle going on all the time?
- 23) Read Galatians 5:17. What are the two sides in this battle?
- 24) Are you setting yourself up for failure if you are exposing yourself to fleshly desires?
- 25) There are Jews (descendants of Israel), Gentiles (people not descended from Israel) and believers (Jews or Gentiles who believe in Christ). The term Gentile is usually used of those who don't know about God. What are we told to do when we are around these people?
- 26) Will unbelievers often slander us, even when we are doing the right things?
- 27) Even when they are falsely accusing us, are they observing our good deeds, and will they have to admit the truth one day?
- 28) What is one way to keep our behavior excellent, that's mentioned in verses 13&14?
- 29) How can we silence the ignorance of foolish men?
- 30) We often ask, “What is God's will for me?” What is clearly stated as God's will in verse 15?
- 31) What are the two ways that people use the freedom they have in Christ?
1) _____ 2) _____
- 32) “Honor _____ men; love the brotherhood, fear God, _____ the king.”
- 33) How would the last part of verse 17 read for us today? “Fear God, honor the _____!”
- 34) What is the second way we are told to keep our behavior excellent? (verse 17)
- 35) We don't have the master/slave relationship today; what is a similar relationship today?
- 36) How should we react to an unreasonable boss or supervisor?
- 37) What finds special favor with God?
- 38) What does God honor? a) Suffer patiently when punished for sin. b) Suffer patiently when punished for doing the right thing.
- 39) What purpose have we been called for?

I Peter #3

Chapter 2:21-25

- 1) Does following Jesus involve suffering?
- 2) Reading verse 22, how would you describe Jesus?
- 3) What was Jesus' response to these things?
 - a) Being reviled?
 - b) Suffering?
- 4) How was He able to respond this way?
- 5) "He Himself bore _____ in His body on the cross, that _____ might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed."
- 6) What are we supposed to "live to?"
- 7) Which verse reminds you of Isaiah 53:6?

Chapter 3:1-9

- 1) Verse one is referring back to chapter 2, verses 12, 13 and 18. God is talking about keeping a testimony by submission to authority. What authority is he asking wives to submit to?
- 2) We are told in 2:21 that this kind of submission may cause suffering. What type of husband mentioned in verse one will cause suffering?
- 3) What type of action by wives is NOT something we are told might be used by God to win over a husband who is disobedient to the word?
 - a) Chaste (pure, modest) and respectful behavior
 - b) External adornment (making yourself look good on the outside)
 - c) Maintaining the quality of a gentle and quiet spirit
- 4) Do most Christian women in our country put the emphasis on the outer person or the inner person?
- 5) Do men seem to react more to the external or the internal beauty?
- 6) Which is said to be precious to God?
- 7) Which should be precious to a Godly man?
- 8) How did holy women in former times adorn themselves?
- 9) Should you be afraid if you are doing what is right?
- 10) What phrase in the last part of 2:23 will be the key for living in this kind of submission?
- 11) Will this sometimes involve suffering?
- 12) Is the doctrine of wives being submissive to husbands popular today?
- 13) Verse 7 says, "You husbands *likewise*, live with your wives in an understanding way." Are women and men just alike?
- 14) Does it sometimes take extra understanding on the part of a husband to make things work well?
- 15) The word "vessel" is used to refer to the human body in Scripture. (see II Corinthians 4:7) Is this verse saying that women are weaker spiritually, intellectually or physically? (choose one)
- 16) Do most Christian husbands give their wives the honor and respect they deserve for being fellow (equal) heirs of the grace of life?
- 17) What is a result of this lack of respect mentioned in verse 7?
- 18) Does it sound like the marital problems we see today are mostly the fault of unsubmitive wives, or are they equally due to husbands who do not give their wives the honor and respect they deserve?
- 19) When he sums everything up in verses 8 & 9, he is referring to those who are submitting to authorities, submitting to masters, submitting to husbands and to husbands who are living with their wives with understanding and honor. What 5 attitudes will be instrumental for our success?
 - a) _____
 - b) _____
 - c) _____
 - d) _____
 - e) _____
- 20) What should you not return for evil? _____ What should you not return for an insult? _____
- 21) What should you return for an insult?
- 22) Will returning *evil for evil* or *insult for insult* allow arguments to easily escalate into huge fights and big problems?
- 23) Proverbs 17:14 says, "The beginning of strife is like letting out water, so abandon the quarrel before it breaks out." If you don't plug a hole in a dam quickly, it will soon burst out in a flood. Would following I Peter 3:8 & 9 help you to abandon quarrels before they get out of control?

I Peter #4

Chapter 3:10-22

- 1) Here are three keys to having a life you love and experiencing good days: (fill in the blanks)
 - a) "Refrain your _____ from evil and your lips from speaking guile (deceit)."
 - b) "_____ from evil and do good."
 - c) "Seek _____ and _____ it."
- 2) How does God react to "the righteous"?
- 3) How does he react to those who do evil?
- 4) Does God care about our actions?
- 5) According to verses 12 and 13, do you usually get in trouble for doing the right thing?
- 6) Does it sometimes happen, according to verse 14?
- 7) What is the result if that does happen?
- 8) Should we allow others to intimidate us into doing things we know aren't right?
- 9) Who should be in charge in your heart (where important decisions are made)?
- 10) When people want to know why you believe the way you do, or live the way you do, are you supposed to have an answer for them?
- 11) When you have to answer questions, do you think it will make your faith weaker or stronger?
- 12) What two things should characterize your answer to people?
- 13) If you are carefully following Christ and someone slanders you, what will be the end result?
- 14) Are some kinds of suffering better than others? EXPLAIN!
- 15) Read verses 18-22. In verse 18, who is "the just"? Who are "the unjust"?
- 16) Who do YOU think, "the spirits now in prison" are? (this is a question many scholars have had)
 - a) People held by the Romans
 - b) Those people who had not responded to the preaching of Noah (II Peter 2:5)
- 17) Was the great flood a real event?
- 18) How many people came through the flood?
- 19) Some people use verse 21 to say that you have to be baptized in order to be saved. As you know, the thief on the cross was never baptized even though Jesus told him he would be in Paradise that day (Luke 23:39-43), and the men in Acts 10:43-48 were only baptized after they received the Holy Spirit, which is our eternal seal of salvation. Does Peter say that baptism takes away (saves us from) the filth of the flesh (sin)?
- 20) The people who didn't respond, while God was patiently waiting for them to before the flood, were called: a) doubters b) disobedient c) scientist
- 21) Notice that he is talking about maintaining a "**good conscience**" in this passage. (see I Peter 2:19 and 3:16). Now read verses 16-21. Baptism is a picture of the death, burial and resurrection of the Lord Jesus. When a person believes in Christ they are baptized spiritually (immersed in the Spirit and into the body of Christ). The physical act of baptism is a picture of that event. Basically, he is saying, that when Noah went into the ark and was being saved from the flood, this was a picture of you being in Jesus when you became saved. It's not that you are washing away sin through dipping into the water, but that you are being delivered through the resurrection of Jesus.
Does water baptism..... a) Actually remove your sin, or b) Appeal to God for a good conscience (no longer disobedient)
- 22) According to verse 22, where is Jesus now?
- 23) Is Jesus still struggling to gain authority over the forces of Satan?

Chapter 4:1-5

- 1) Are we supposed to avoid all suffering?
- 2) What are we supposed to live the rest of our lives for?
- 3) What kinds of things should we expect unsaved people to be involved in?
- 4) If we were involved in these things in the past, does that mean we can not live for the Lord?
- 5) Should we be involved in any of these things now?
- 6) We are told that if we take these things out of our lives, we are to expect what two things?
 - a)
 - b)
- 7) The word "malign" means to verbally attack someone. Who will they answer to for this?

I Peter #5

Chapter 4:6-19

- 1) How are the people we share the gospel with described in verse 6?
- 2) Why should we be *careful* and *prayerful*?
- 3) What do you think verse 8 means?
- 4) Does this mean we never expose the sins of dangerous people?
- 5) Many sins can be forgiven and forgotten so that relationships can be restored and maintained. Do we sometimes allow sins to destroy relationships because of pride and an unforgiving spirit?
- 6) What is the hardest thing to avoid when being hospitable?
- 7) Has each person received a special gift from God to be used to minister to others?
- 8) If your gift is a speaking gift (teaching, evangelism, encouragement, etc.), What limitation is placed on you? a) Must speak in parables b) Message must be Biblical c) You must speak Spanish
- 9) Will you be successful serving in your own strength?
- 10) Who gets the credit when you serve in your own strength?
- 11) Should you be surprised if you experience a “fiery ordeal”?
- 12) Do we usually act like it’s a strange thing when we are asked to suffer?
- 13) What is one sign that you are blessed? (verse 14)
- 14) Is there any value in suffering as a result of our own sins?
- 15) Sometimes when we suffer for our faith we are ashamed of it. Should we be?
- 16) Read I Corinthians 11:31&32. When we are judged, are we condemned for our sins or disciplined?
- 17) “Let those also who _____ according to the _____ of God entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.”
- 18) Is it sometimes God’s will for us to suffer?

Chapter 5

- 1) What official position did Peter hold in the church mentioned here?
a) Pope b) Priest c) Elder d) Chief bottle washer
- 2) Explain what, “witness of the sufferings of Christ” means here?
- 3) Circle the things the Elders are supposed to be doing: a) Shepherd the flock b) Lord it over the people c) Voluntarily serve where God wants you to d) Gather sordid gain e) Be an example to others f) Only do the things you are forced to g) Serve eagerly
- 4) What reward will faithful elders receive one day?
- 5) Read verses 5 and 6. What problem do young Christian men often struggle with?
- 6) When will people who humble themselves be exalted?
- 7) Who cares for you?
- 8) Isn’t that amazing?
- 9) Is it important to be alert as a Christian?
- 10) What powerful picture does God use here to illustrate the dangers that we face?
- 11) There were lions in Israel in those days. How do you think people felt when they were walking a lonely path and heard a roaring lion?
- 12) What is the devil seeking to do?
- 13) How are we to respond? a) run from him b) resist him c) make a deal with him
- 14) Are you the only one going through this?
- 15) Is he talking about *temptation* or is he still talking about *suffering* here?
- 16) While we are in the world, we are to expect suffering. When will we be perfected, confirmed, strengthened and established?
- 17) According to verse 10, what are we eventually called to?
- 18) How would you feel if you were Silvanus and you read verse 12 for the first time?
- 19) “She who is in Babylon”, is probably another church Peter had worked with. Many people think that the book of Mark is a gospel written from Peter’s point of view. Do you see anything here that would make that seem likely?
- 20) In what manner did the early Christians greet one another?
- 21) Did you enjoy I Peter?