

## *The First Epistle of the Apostle* **PETER**

### **1 Peter 1**

*1 He blesses God for his manifold spiritual graces,  
13 and exhorts them to a godly conversation  
forasmuch as they are born anew by the Word  
of God.*

1 ¶ Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to *the* elect sojourners of *the* dispersion of Pontus, of Galatia, of Cappadocia, of Asia, and of Bithynia,

2 according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of *the* Spirit to obedience and sprinkling of *the* blood of Jesus Christ: Grace and peace be multiplied to you.

3 ¶ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the *one* according to His great mercy having regenerated us to a living hope through *the* resurrection of Jesus Christ from *the* dead,

4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and unfading, having been kept in Heaven for you,

5 *the ones* in *the* power of God being guarded through faith to a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time;

6 ¶ in which you exult; yet a little *while*, if it is needful, having been grieved in many various kinds of trials,

7 so that the testing of your faith, much more precious than perishing gold, but being tested through fire, may be found to praise and honor and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

8 whom having not known, you love; in whom not yet seeing, but believing, you exult with joy unspeakable and being glorified,

9 obtaining the end of your faith, *the* salvation of *your* souls.

10 ¶ About which salvation the prophets sought out and searched out, prophesying about the grace for you,

11 searching for what, or what sort of time the Spirit of Christ made clear within them; testifying beforehand of the sufferings *belonging* to Christ, and the glories after these.

12 To whom it was revealed that not to themselves, but to us they ministered the same things, which now were proclaimed to you through the *ones* having preached the gospel to you in *the* Holy Spirit having been sent from Heaven; into which things angels long to look into.

13 ¶ Therefore, having girded up the loins of your mind, being sober, completely hope on the grace being borne to you at *the* revelation of Jesus Christ,

14 as children of obedience, not being conformed yourselves to your former lusts in your ignorance,

15 but according to the Holy *One* having called you *is* holy, *yourselves* also become holy in all conduct;

16 because it has been written, “Be holy,” “because I am holy”. *Lev. 19:2*

17 And if you call on *the* Father, the *One* judging according to the work of each *one* without respect of persons, in the time of your pilgrimage conduct yourselves in fear,

18 knowing that not with corruptible things, silver or gold, were you redeemed from your worthless way of life handed down from *your* fathers,

19 but with precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot,

20 indeed having been foreknown before *the* foundation of *the* world, but revealed in *the* last times because of you,

21 *the ones* believing in God through Him, He raising Him from *the* dead, and giving glory to Him so that your faith and hope may be in God.

22 Having purified your souls in the obedience of the truth through the Spirit to unpretended brotherly love, love one another fervently out of a pure heart,

23 having been generated, not by corruptible seed, but incorruptible, through the living Word of God, and remaining unto the age.

24 ¶ Because “all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of men as the flower of grass; the grass was dried, and its flower fell off, 25 but the Word of the Lord remains unto the age.” And this is the Word preached as gospel to you. *Isaiah 40:6-8*

### 1 Peter 2

*He exhorts them from the breach of charity.*

1 ¶ Therefore putting aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

2 as newborn babes desire the pure soul-nourishing milk, that you may grow by it; 3 if indeed you “tasted” “that the Lord is kind”; *LXX-Psa. 33:9; MT-Psa. 34:8*

4 ¶ to whom having drawn near, a living Stone, indeed having been rejected by men, but chosen by God, precious;

5 you also as living stones are being built a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

6 Therefore, it is also contained in the Scripture: “Behold, I lay in Zion” an elect, “precious Stone,” “a Corner-foundation”; “and the one believing on Him shall not be put to shame, not ever!” *Isa. 28:16*

7 Therefore to you, the ones believing, belongs the preciousness. But to disobeying ones, He is the “Stone which the ones building rejected; this One became the Head of the Corner,” *Psa. 118:22*

8 and “a Stone-of-stumbling, and a Rock-of-offense” to the ones stumbling, being disobedient to the Word, to which they were also appointed. *Isa. 8:14*

9 But you are “an elect race,” “a royal priesthood,” “a holy nation,” “a people for possession,” so that “you may proclaim the excellencies” of the One who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; *LXX-Ex. 23:22; MT-Ex. 19:5, 6*

10 you who then were “not a people, but now are the people” of God; “who not having received mercy, but now receiving mercy”. *Hos. 1:6, 9; 2:1, 23,*

11 Beloved ones, I exhort you as foreigners and aliens to abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul;

12 having your behavior good among the nations, in that which they speak against

you as evildoers; having watched your good works, they may glorify God in the day of visitation.

13 ¶ Therefore be in obedience to every human creation because of the Lord; whether to a king, as being supreme;

14 or to governors, as through him having indeed being sent for vengeance on evil doers, but praise of being well doers

15 because so is the will of God, doing good to silence the ignorance of foolish men;

16 as free men, and not having freedom as a cover of evil, but as slaves of God;

17 honor all, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.

18 Servants, be obedient to your masters in all fear, not only to the ones good and gentle, but also to the perverse ones.

19 For this is a grace, if because of conscience toward God anyone bears grief, suffering unjustly.

20 For what credit is it if sinning and being hit by the fist, you patiently endure? But if you are suffering while doing good, and patiently endure, this is a grace from God.

21 For you were called to this, for even Christ suffered on our behalf, leaving behind an example for us, that you should follow His footsteps;

22 “who did not sin, nor was guile found in His mouth”; *Isa. 53:9*

23 who, being reviled, did not revile in return; suffering, He did not threaten, but gave Himself over to the One judging righteously;

24 who “Himself carried up in His body our sins” onto the tree; that having died to sins, we might live to righteousness; of whom “by His wound you were healed.”

25 For you were “straying sheep,” *Isa. 53:4-6* but now you are turned back to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### 1 Peter 3

*1 He teaches the duty of wives and husbands to each other. 19 The benefits of Christ towards the old world.*

1 ¶ Likewise, wives, submitting yourselves to your own husbands, that even if any disobey the Word, through the behavior of the wives, without a word they will be won,

2 observing your pure behavior in fear.

3 Of whom let it not be the outward *act* of braiding of hairs, and of putting gold around, or putting on garments of adornment,

4 but the hidden man of the heart, in the incorruptible *adornment* of the meek and quiet spirit, which is of great value before God.

5 For so formerly also the holy women, the *ones* hoping on God adorned themselves, submitting themselves to their own husbands,

6 as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord; whose children you became, doing good, and fearing no terror. *Gen. 18:12*

7 Likewise, husbands, dwelling together according to knowledge, as with a weaker vessel, the feminine *one*, bestowing honor, as truly *being* co-heirs of *the* grace of life, not cutting off your prayers.

8 ¶ And, finally, *be* all like-minded, sympathetic, loving the brothers, tender-hearted, friendly,

9 not giving back evil for evil, or reviling against reviling; but, on the contrary, *give* blessing; knowing that you were called to this in order that you might inherit blessing.

10 “For the *one* desiring to love life, and to see good days, let him restrain his tongue from evil, even his lips not to speak deceit.

11 Let him turn aside from evil, and let him do good. Let him seek peace, and pursue it;

12 because the eyes of *the* Lord *are* on the righteous *ones*, and His ears *open* to their prayer. But *the* face of *the* Lord *is* on all doing evil things.” *LXX-Psa. 33:13-17; MT-Psa. 34:12-16*

13 And who *is* the *one* harming you if you become imitators of the good?

14 But if you truly suffer because of righteousness, blessed *are* you. “But do not fear their fear, nor be disturbed,

15 but sanctify” the Lord God in your hearts, and always *be* ready to speak in defense to every *one* asking you a word about the hope in you, with meekness and fear, *Isa. 8:12, 13*

16 ¶ having a good conscience, that while they speak against you as evil doers, they may be shamed, the *ones* falsely accusing your good behavior in Christ.

17 For *it is* better, if the will of God wills *it*, to suffer *for* doing good than *for* doing evil.

18 ¶ Because even Christ once suffered concerning sins, the Just *One* on behalf of the unjust *ones*, that He might bring us to God; indeed being put to death in *the* flesh, but being made alive in the Spirit;

19 in which also, going in to the spirits in prison, He then proclaimed

20 to the *ones* disobeying, when once the long-suffering of God waited in *the* days of Noah, an ark being prepared, into which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.

21 ¶ Which Antitype now also saves us; baptism, not a putting away of *the* filth of *the* flesh, but a demand of a good conscience toward God through *the* resurrection of Jesus Christ;

22 who having gone into Heaven is at *the* right *hand* of God, *the* angels, and authorities, and powers being subjected to Him.

### 1 Peter 4

*1 He exhorts them to cease from sin by the example of Christ, and the consideration of the general resurrection, and that it now approaches.*

1 ¶ Therefore, Christ having suffered on behalf of us in *the* flesh, also you arm yourselves *with* the same thought, because he having suffered in *the* flesh has been made to rest from sin,

2 in order to *live* no longer in *the* lusts of men, but *to* live the remaining time in *the* flesh in *the* will of God.

3 For *the* time of life having passed is sufficient for us to have worked out the will of the nations, having gone on in wantonness, lusts, drunkennesses, revelries, carousings, and lawless idolatries;

4 ¶ in which they are surprised, you not running together with *them* into the same pouring out of unsavedness, blaspheming; 5 who will give account to Him having readily to judge *the* living and dead.

6 For to this *end* also the gospel was preached to *the* dead *ones*, that they might be judged according to men in *the* flesh, but might live according to God in *the* Spirit.

7 ¶ But the end of all *things* has drawn near. Therefore be of sound mind, and be self-controlled unto prayers;

8 but before all *things* having fervent love to yourselves, “because love will cover a multitude of sins”. *Prov. 10:12*

9 Be hospitable *ones* to one another without murmurings,

10 each *one* as he received a gift, ministering it to yourselves as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

11 If anyone speaks, *let it be* as the words of God; if anyone serves, as by strength which God supplies, that in all *things* God may be glorified through Jesus Christ; to whom is the glory and the might to the ages of the ages. Amen.

12 ¶ Beloved *ones*, do not be astonished at the fiery trial taking place among you for a test, as if a strange *thing were* happening to you;

13 but according as you share the sufferings of Christ, rejoice; so that you may rejoice exultingly at the revelation of His glory.

14 If you are reviled in the name of Christ, *you are* blessed, because “the Spirit of God and of glory rests on you.” Truly, according to them, He is blasphemed; but according to you, He is glorified. *Isa. 11:2*

15 For do not let any of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil doer, or as a meddler in the affairs of others.

16 But if *one suffers* as a Christian, do not let him be shamed, but glorify God in this respect.

17 Because the time *has come* to begin the judgment from the house of God; and if firstly from us, what *will be* the end of the *ones* disobeying the gospel of God?

18 And “if the righteous *ones* is scarcely saved, where will the ungodly and sinner appear?” *Proverbs 11:31*)

19 So as indeed the *ones* suffering according to God’s will, as to a faithful Creator, let them commit their souls in doing good.

### ***1 Peter 5***

*1 He encourages the elders to feed their flocks, 5 the younger to obey, 8 and all to be sober, watchful, and constant in the faith.*

1 ¶ I exhort the elders among you, *I being* a fellow-elder, and a witness of the suffer-

ings of Christ, and *being* sharer of the glory about to be revealed:

2 Shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight, not by compulsion, but willingly, nor eagerly for base gain, but readily;

3 nor as exercising lordship over the allotment *given to you*, but becoming examples of the flock.

4 And *at* the appearing of the Chief Shepherd, you will receive the never-fading crown of glory.

5 ¶ Likewise, younger *ones* be subject to older *ones*; and all being subject to one another. gird on humility, because God sets *Himself* “against proud *ones*, but He gives grace to humble *ones*”. *Prov. 3:34*

6 Therefore, be humbled under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in time;

7 “casting all your anxiety onto Him,” because it matters to Him concerning you. *LXX-Psa. 54:23; MT-Psa. 55:22*

8 ¶ Be self-controlled. Be watchful, because your adversary *the devil* walks about as a roaring lion seeking someone he may devour;

9 whom firmly resist in the faith, knowing the same sufferings are being completed in your brotherhood in *the world*.

10 ¶ Now the God of all grace, the *One* having called you to His eternal glory in Christ Jesus, *you* having suffered a little, *Himself* will perfect, confirm, strengthen, establish *you*.

11 To Him *be* the glory and the might forever and ever. Amen.

12 I wrote to you by a few *words* by way of Silvanus the faithful brother, as I reckon, exhorting and witnessing this to be *the true* grace of God, in which you stand.

13 Greet you the fellow-elected *sister assembly* in Babylon; also Mark my son.

14 Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace *be* to you, all the *ones* in Christ Jesus. Amen.