

“Prepare your minds!”

1 PETER 1

Minds Prepared for Action

(1 Peter 1)

The apostle Peter was writing to a people that could understand the cost of standing for truth much better we can (1 Peter 1:6; 3:14; 4:12; 5:9). 1 Peter is very relevant to us.

I. ADDRESSEES

- A. Chosen Sojourners (1-2)
- B. Dispersed Sojourners (1-2)
 - 1. All Christians (2:9–10)
 - 2. Watchful Christians (Rev 22:20; Matt 24:42; Phil 3:20)

II. CHOSEN SOJOURNERS: How? Why?

- A. God and The Spirit (2)
- B. Born again to a Living Hope (2)
- C. Obedience, Sprinkling, Grace (1:2, 18-19; cf. Exo 24:7-8)
 - 1. For hope, inheritance, heaven (3-4)
 - 2. For protection by faith (5)
 - 3. For rejoicing in trials (6-9)
 - 4. For understanding and salvation (10-12; cf. Dan 8:27)

III. OBJECTIVE

- A. **Minds prepared to act (13)**
 - 1. Sober in spirit (13)
 - 2. Fixed in hope (13; cf. Heb 12:2)
 - 3. Obedient like children (14; cf. 1:2, 22)
 - 4. Holy like God (15-16; cf. Heb 12:14)
 - 5. Reverent to God (17)
 - 6. Futile earthly inheritances (18-19)
 - 7. Knowing eternal redemption (19-21)
 - 8. Purify your soul (22)
 - 9. Sincerity of love (22)
 - Proof of new birth (23)
 - Futility of no love (1 Cor 13)
 - Example of Jesus (John 13:34-35)
 - Time is short (24-25)

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