



Deep Dive Bible Study

1 Peter 1:1-9

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“Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To God’s chosen strangers in the world of the diaspora, who live in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia.

God the Father chose you because of what he knew beforehand. He chose you through the Holy Spirit’s work of making you holy and because of the faithful obedience and sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

May God’s grace and peace be multiplied to you.

May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ be blessed! On account of his vast mercy, he has given us new birth. You have been born anew into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. You have a pure and enduring inheritance that cannot perish—an inheritance that is presently kept safe in heaven for you. Through his faithfulness, you are guarded by God’s power so that you can receive the salvation he is ready to reveal in the last time.

You now rejoice in this hope, even if it’s necessary for you to be distressed for a short time by various trials. This is necessary so that your faith may be found genuine. (Your faith is more valuable than gold, which will be destroyed even though it is itself tested by fire.) Your genuine faith will result in praise, glory, and honor for you when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you’ve never seen him, you love him. Even though you don’t see him now, you trust him and so rejoice with a glorious joy that is too much for words. You are receiving the goal of your faith: your salvation.” (1 Peter 1:1–9 CEB)

Background:

vv. 1-2 Chosen Strangers

Exiles - Diaspora

Resident Aliens
Kingdom Agents

Holiness and Humans

v.3 New Birth into a Living Hope through the Resurrection

God's Mercy
New Birth

Living Hope

vv. 4-5 Safe in Heaven

Heaven

Salvation

v. 6 Hope in the Middle of Trials

Trials/Temptations

v. 7 The Testing of Our Faithfulness

Testing Metaphor:

“He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD.” Malachi 3:2 (ESV)

vv. 8-9 The Goal: Salvation

Are you saved?

Salvation

Opportunities to Connect via Video:

Deep Dive Bible Study: Wednesdays 11:00 a.m.

Kids' Corner with Robin Humphress: Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m.

Student Ministry with Liz Morgeson: Thursdays at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday Update: Saturday afternoons

Worship Online: Sundays at 10:00 a.m.