

“Elect Exiles”
1 Peter 1:1–2
April 14, 2024

“Man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.” (Deuteronomy 8:3)

Who’s It From? (1:1a)

“Built on the foundation of the apostles.” (Ephesians 2:20)

“This is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it.” (1 Peter 5:12)

“On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.” (Matthew 16:18)

Who’s It To? (1:1b–2a)

“As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance.” (1 Peter 1:14)

“Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers.” (1 Peter 1:18)

“You have been grieved with various trials.” (1 Peter 1:6)

“When you are slandered.” (1 Peter 3:16)

“Fiery trial.” (1 Peter 4:12)

“If anyone suffers as a Christian.” (1 Peter 4:16)

“The obedience of faith.” (Romans 1:5; 16:26)

What’s It For? (1:2b)

Notes

Discuss

- What does it mean that you need a balanced diet from the word of God, and what are some practical things that you can do to accomplish that goal?
- What was the summary sentence of 1 Peter from the sermon?
- Who was Peter, and why is it significant to you that he is that author of 1 Peter (based on what was said in the sermon and your own knowledge about him)?
- Does it matter if 1 Peter was written to Jews, Gentiles, or both, and why, or why not?
- In what ways are Christians “elect?”
- In what ways are Christians “exiles of the Dispersion?”
- What did the sermon text reveal about God’s salvation, and why is that significant for you?
- What does it mean for you to experience more of the grace and peace of God, and how would you prayerfully expect 1 Peter to help you do so?

Read

Exodus 24:3–8; Matthew 16:13–17:13

Pray

- That the Holy Spirit will help you to live as an “elect exile of the Dispersion.”
- That the Holy Spirit will cause you to praise God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit for their work in saving you.

Bulletin

- Women’s Bible Study: Wednesdays at 10:00am
- Youth Ministry Gatherings: First and Third Wednesdays at 6:30pm
- Youth Camp Fundraiser Lunch: April 28 at 12:15pm (tickets may be purchased in person in the lobby or through Realm)
- Men’s Breakfast: May 11 at 8:00am