

REJOICING THROUGH TESTED

STUDIES IN 1ST PETER



CHAPTER ONE

PILGRIMS AND STRANGERS...

REJOICING THOUGH TESTED – **MOTIVE**

- **CHOSEN**
- **BORN AGAIN TO A LIVING HOPE**
- **AN INHERITANCE RESERVED IN HEAVEN**
- **TESTED TO PROVE THE GENUINENESS OF OUR FAITH**
- **SALVATION OF OUR SOULS**

REJOICING THOUGH TESTED – METHOD

- **GET YOUR MIND RIGHT**
- **GET SERIOUS**
- **FOCUS COMPLETELY ON JESUS' RETURN**

REJOICING THOUGH TESTED - MEANS

1. BE HOLY

2. LOVE ONE ANOTHER

3. SUFFER TRIALS AS A CHRISTIAN

REJOICING THOUGH TESTED

- **BE HOLY**
 - **HOW TO BE LIKE THE ONE WHO CALLED US**
- **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**
 - **INSTRUCTIONS FOR OUR VARIOUS RELATIONSHIPS**
- **SUFFER TRIALS AS A CHRISTIAN**
 - **CHRIST IS OUR EXAMPLE**

CHAPTER 2

INTO HIS MARVELOUS LIGHT (1-12)

BE HOLY: PUTTING ASIDE (1)

- **MALICE / (WICKEDNESS)**

- **A HEART FILLED WITH ILL-WILL THAT DOES HARM TO OTHERS**

- **GUILE / (DECEIT)**

- **A FRAUD, SEEKING TO DECEIVE THOSE THAT HEAR OR OBSERVE**
- **THE WORD IS WITHOUT THIS - VS. 2**
- **JESUS' SPEECH WAS FREE OF IT - 1 PET. 2:22**

BE HOLY: PUTTING ASIDE (1)

- **HYPOCRISY**

- **PLAYING A PART**

- **ENVY**

- **UNHAPPY ABOUT THE PROSPERITY OF OTHERS**

- **SLANDER / (ALL EVIL SPEAKING)**

- **SPEAKING TO DO HARM OR HURT ANOTHER**

BE HOLY: GROW BY THE WORD (2-3)

- **AS NEWBORN BABES**
- **LONG FOR / (DESIRE)**
- **PURE / (SINCERE) WORD**
 - **NOTHING IN THE WORD OF GOD MISREPRESENTS OR MISLEADS A PERSON**
- **THAT BY IT YOU MAY GROW**
- **YOU KNOW ITS GOOD AND GOOD FOR YOU - PSALM 34:8**

BE HOLY: COME TO THE LIVING STONE (4-10)

- **REJECTED OF MEN BUT CHOSEN OF GOD**
- **YOU ARE AS LIVING STONES (5-8)**
 - **BUILT UP AS A SPIRITUAL HOUSE**
 - **TO OFFER SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES**
- **CHOSEN RACE (9-10)**
 - **ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR GOD'S OWN POSSESSION**
- **HAVE NOW RECEIVED MERCY**

BE HOLY: ABSTAIN FROM FLESHLY LUSTS (11)

- **ABSTAIN – “TO HOLD ONESELF OFF”**
- **FLESHLY LUSTS**
 - **THINGS THAT PLEASE THE CARNAL SELF**
- **WAR**
 - **WAGE A CAMPAIGN AGAINST YOUR SOUL**

BE HOLY: KEEP YOUR BEHAVIOR EXCELLENT (12)

- **EXCELLENT – PRAISEWORTHY, MORALLY GOOD, NOBLE**
- **THEY ARE WATCHING**
- **YOU WILL LEAD THEM TO GLORIFY GOD**
 - **NOW OR IN JUDGEMENT**

“A CONSISTENT LIFE IN HARMONY WITH THE WILL OF GOD HAS AN IMPACT ON THE UNBELIEVERS AND CAN BE A POWERFUL FORCE IN CAUSING THEM TO COME TO GOD.”

- CLINTON HAMILTON

