

**Standing in the True Grace of God***Peter's Life, Letters and Lord***1 Peter 1:10-16**

1. Read 1 Peter 1:3-12 and notice every time Peter uses the word salvation. Now write out everything that this passage says about your salvation in the sections below.
  - a. Salvation in the past
  - b. Salvation in the present
  - c. Salvation in the future
2. Peter says that God's plan of salvation was revealed to the prophets of the Old Testament (vv. 10-13).
  - a. What did the spirit reveal to the prophets about the Christ? (v. 11)
  - b. The prophets did not fully comprehend this revelation. How did they respond? (vv. 10-11)
  - c. What was Peter's first response to the sufferings of Christ? (Matt. 16:21-23)
  - d. What does Peter mean by "the glories that would follow" (v. 11)? (Acts 2:29-36)
3. What do verses 10-12 tell you about the means and process God used to bring about his plan of salvation? (\* Eph. 1:3-14)

Describe the process God used in bringing about your salvation.

\*The  symbol indicates verses for further study.

4. How is this description of God's plan of salvation meant to encourage these isolated and suffering Gentile believers? (v. 12; 1 Pet. 2:9-10; \* Eph. 3:2-6)
5. Peter uses the word "revealed" five times in chapter 1. Why is Jesus the central focus of all the revelation given in the past? (vv. 12, 20)

What is to be revealed in the future that the believers have to look forward to? (vv. 5, 7, 13; 1 Pet. 4:13, 5:4; \* Rom. 8:18-23)

6. Read verses 1-12. What have you learned about God's plan of salvation that you can praise him for right now?
7. In response to what Peter says in verses 1-12, what five practical things does he command us to do or not do? (vv. 13-16)

To "be holy" is not an abstract concept but it means to be "set apart" as special and different. How will living this way "set you apart" from the world and the way you used to live (v. 14)?

8. What relationship do believers now have with God that motivates them to be holy? (vv. 14, 17a)
9. What was our thinking like before we became Christians? (v. 14; Eph. 4:17-19)

What are we called to do now? (v. 13; Eph. 4:22-24)