

I PETER

Background Information

Writer

Peter (1:1)

Silvanus (Silas) was an amanuensis, which means secretary – He was a Roman citizen (Acts 16:36-37)

Recipients

Addressed to the dispersion (Jew or Gentile). Some evidence could be said for both.

Date

63-65– Written shortly before outbreak of full persecution under Nero in AD 64 from Rome [Babylon was an appropriate figurative designation (or a good picture) for Rome]

Basic Theme

Proper response to suffering

Brief outline

Salvation of believer – 1:1-2:12

Submission of believer - 2:13-3:12

Suffering of the believer –3:13 – 5:14

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I Peter 1

I Peter 1:18-19

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things,
as silver and gold, from your vain conversation
received by tradition from your fathers;
But with the precious blood of Christ,
as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – I Peter 1:1-5

Examine –

1. Who wrote this book?
2. What is he?
3. To whom was the book written?
4. How were these people elected?
5. How were they sanctified?
6. What had they applied to their life?
7. What was to be to them?
8. What was to be multiplied?
9. Can you see the trinity in verse 2?
10. Who does he bless here?
11. Of what does God have abundance?
12. To what has He begotten us?
13. How did He do this?
14. How does he describe our inheritance?
15. Where is it now?
16. What keeps us?
17. What is this through?
18. When will it be revealed?

Apply-

Verse 5 gives me some great hope. If we are kept by God's power, then we can never lose our salvation. Do you have this inheritance?

How has God been merciful to you lately?

Have you thanked God for His abundant mercy and the things He has in store for you?

Do so today!

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

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Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – I Peter 1:6-9

Examine –

1. Go back and read verse 5. In what is he rejoicing?
2. What are they currently going through?
3. How long will it last?
4. What does the word temptations mean?
5. What is on trial?
6. What is it more precious than?
7. What perishes?
8. In what three things might this be found?
9. When will these be known?
10. Who have we not seen?
11. Even though we have not seen Him, yet we _____
12. How do we rejoice?
13. What do we receive?

Note: Our faith in God produces (results) in our salvation.

Apply-

Name some difficulties you have faced recently.

Do you rejoice in difficulties?

Do you love God?

How do you demonstrate that?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

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Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – I Peter 1:10-12

Examine –

1. Who has inquired about salvation?
2. How did they search for it?
3. What did they prophesy?
4. What was one of the things for which they were searching?
5. What did they testify before hand?
6. What would follow the sufferings?
7. Remember he is still talking about the prophets. Were they talking about things that would affect them?
8. To whom were they actually ministering?
9. Who is reporting this to them?
10. Through whose power are they doing this?
11. What desire do the angels have?

Note: The prophets could not understand the suffering of Jesus, His glory, nor the salvation that would come to the world. The angels now cannot understand it because they cannot be redeemed. The fact that after Jesus suffered He would receive glory could be a great encouragement to believers.

Apply-

This is a difficult passage to understand. The main thing is that God had a plan of salvation long before we or anyone else could understand. Have you accepted His free gift?

Write your salvation testimony here and share it with someone!

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – I Peter 1:13-16

Examine –

1. Why is “wherefore” there?
2. What should we do with our mind?
3. Define Sober –
4. For how long should we hope?
5. What will be brought to us at Jesus appearing?
6. What kind of children should we be?
7. Define Fashioning –
8. After what should we not be fashioned?
9. We did those former things in our _____.
10. Who has called us?
11. What is He?
12. What are we to be?
13. In what areas are we to be this?
14. Define conversation –
15. Why should we be Holy?

Apply-

Because of all that God has provided for us we should live right. Are you conforming yourself to this world? _____ How? _____

The opposite of this is Holiness. Are you becoming Holy daily? _____ How? _____

If you’re not becoming holy, then you’re becoming like the world.

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – I Peter 1:17:21

Examine –

1. To whom should we call?
2. How does God judge?
3. On what will He judge us?
4. How should we pass our time here?
5. How were we not redeemed?
6. What are those corruptible things?
7. From what were we redeemed?
8. Where did we get this conversation?
9. With what were you redeemed?
10. What kind of Lamb was He?
11. When was He foreordained?
12. When was He manifest?
13. Why was He manifest?
14. How do we believe in God?
15. What two things did God do for Jesus?
16. What should be in God?

Apply-

We inherited a sin nature from our fathers but a Godly nature from our heavenly father.

What nature are you obeying?

Write a small list of things that would demonstrate someone doing sinful things and right things.

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – I Peter 1:22-25

Examine –

1. How can you purify your souls?
2. Who is this through?
3. When you do this what outward action will be seen?
4. Define Unfeigned –
5. How did they love?
6. How were we not born? (spiritually speaking)
7. With what were we born?
8. What was the agent that was used in our conversion?
9. What is true about the Word of God?
10. To what is our flesh compared?
11. To what is our glory compared?
12. What happens to the grass?
13. What happens to the flower?
14. What is different about God's Word?
15. What is significant about this Word?

Apply-

Do you believe that the Bible is forever?

How does that help us?

If you believe the Bible, are you obeying it?

List one verse that you obeyed today!

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 1:18-19

Read – Review

Examine –

1. What is Peter?
2. To whom does he write?
3. What is our lively hope based on?
4. What is reserved in Heaven for you?
5. What keeps us?
6. What were these people currently going through?
7. What is more precious than gold?
8. Who do we love even though we have not seen Him?
9. What two groups of people could not understand salvation?
10. What should we gird up?
11. Why should we be Holy?
12. With what were we redeemed?
13. What demonstrates our obeying the truth?
14. What lives and abides forever?
15. What will endure forever?

Apply-

There are some great truths (doctrines) in this passage. Can you list five of them and how they affect you?

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

I PETER 2

I Peter 2:20

For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? But if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.

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Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – I Peter 2: 1-5

Examine –

1. What should we lay aside?
2. How should we be as?
3. What should we desire?
4. What will this milk do for you?
5. You will do these things if you have done what?
6. What is He said to be when He comes?
7. How did men respond to Him?
8. How did God respond to Him?
9. In God's sight, He is _____.
10. What are we?
11. We will build up to what kind of house?
12. What kind of priesthood are we?
13. What should we offer up?
14. Who will find these acceptable?

Apply-

What is your attitude toward the Word of God?

Do you desire it?

What areas prove that you desire it?

Let the rule "NO BIBLE, NO BREAKFAST" rule you!

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – I Peter 2:6-10

Examine –

1. Where are these facts contained?
2. Where does He lay this stone?
3. What kind of stone is it?
4. God describes it in two ways. What are they?
5. If you believe, what will you not be?
6. If we believe, what is He to us?
7. What are the other people called?
8. What did the builders do with this stone?
9. What did this stone become?
10. What is this stone to those who don't believe?
11. What four things does he use to describe those that accept?

12. Why did He make us these things?
13. Of what did He call us out?
14. Into what did He bring us?
15. What were we not that we now are?
16. What had we not obtained that we now have?

Apply-

How are you showing forth His praise?

Can you see a difference in your life?

If so, what is it?

Are you most reflecting light or darkness?

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – I Peter 2: 11-14

Examine –

1. What does the writer call his audience? (three things)
2. Define Beseech –
3. From what should we abstain?
4. What do these (above answer) do?
5. How should our conversation be?
6. To whom should it be this way?
7. How will they speak against you?
8. What will they behold?
9. What will they do as a result of observing this?
10. What should we do to every ordinance?
11. For whose sake should we do this?
12. To what groups of people does he mention that we should submit?
13. What two things should authorities do? (Both start with a “p”)

Apply-

How is your testimony to those that are in the world?

Could they praise God because of how you live?

Have you learned to submit to authority?

What ways have you demonstrated submission this week?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – I Peter 2:15-18

Examine –

1. We talked about submission yesterday and we will continue that today. What does God call submitting to authority?
2. What kind of “doing” should you have?
3. What will this do to others?
4. What kind of men are these?
5. In Christ, we are _____.
6. How should we not use our liberty?
7. How should we use it?
What does this mean?
8. Match the following answers:
____ God A. Honor
____ King B. Love
____ Brotherhood C. Fear
____ All men
9. To whom should the servants be subject?
10. They should do this with _____.
11. Define the two types of masters as described in verse 18:

Apply-

Look back to question #8. How would you rate yourself as to how you are doing in these four things? List the four areas here and add how you will do that thing today.

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – I Peter 2:19-21

Examine –

1. What is thankworthy?
2. Why is he doing this?
3. What is not a glorious thing?
4. How should we take our suffering?
5. If we do, how does God react to this?
6. Should we expect suffering?
7. What does II Timothy 3:12 say about this subject?
8. Who left us an example?
9. Where should we follow?

Apply-

Can you list some of the things that Jesus suffered for you? After you list some go back and just thank Him for these things!

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – I Peter 2:22-25

Examine –

1. What did Jesus not do?
2. What was not found in His mouth?
3. How did He respond to reviling?
4. Did He suffer?
5. What did He do when this happened?
6. To whom did He commit Himself?
7. How will God judge?
8. What did He bear on the tree?
9. What was our state in relation to sins?
10. After what He did, how should we live?
11. What heals us?
12. What are we like?
13. How were we going?
14. To where are we returned?
15. Who is this?

Apply-

Can you list some ways that Jesus is your Shepherd?

[You can use other passages to support your answer.]

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 2:20

Read – Review – I Peter 2

Examine –

1. Can you list all the names or character qualities for Jesus and God in this passage?
(There should be more than 12)

2. What are some names given to us in this passage? (There should be 8 or more of these)

3. What are some things we can lay aside?
4. What can our good testimony do for lost people?
5. What two things should leaders do?
6. How should we take suffering?
7. Who was our perfect example?

Apply-

What part of this chapter do you struggle with the most? (Laying aside things, desiring the Word, testimony, submission, suffering, thankfulness for what God has done for you)

List it, then write how God has spoken to you and how you are working to change it.

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

I PETER 3 – 4:5

I Peter 3:15

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

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Date: _____

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Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – I Peter 3:1-4

Examine –

1. To whom is the wife to be subject?
2. Does this apply to unsaved husbands as well?
3. What is a possible result of a wife submitting to an unsaved husband?
4. What does the word “conversation” mean in this passage?
5. Is Peter teaching that women should not “fix” their hair or wear jewelry?
6. Why, or Why not?

7. What is the woman’s adorning supposed to be?
8. What is the hidden man of the heart?
9. What kind of spirit should a woman have?
10. Does God see a person’s spirit or attitude?
11. How does he view a meek and quiet spirit?

Apply-

Although this passage is directly addressing the ladies, men can also learn some valuable lessons about inward “beauty.” Young men should want to know what kind of lady to look for one day.

Are you living your life in a way that would cause others to turn to Christ?

Is your focus on your outward appearance or on your heart attitude?

Is your “spirit” valuable in the sight God?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – I Peter 3:5-9

Examine –

1. How did the women of “old time” adorn themselves?
2. What word does Peter use to describe these women?
3. In whom did they trust?
4. What OT woman does Peter use as an example of submission?
5. What did Sarah call Abraham?
6. What did this term mean?
7. Who is the husband to honor?
8. How is the husband to treat his wife?
9. What is hindered by a poor relationship between a husband and wife?
10. 10. List the 5 qualities in verse 8 that Peter exhorted his readers to possess.
 - A. _____
 - B. _____
 - C. _____
 - D. _____
 - E. _____
11. How should we respond to others’ evil toward us?
12. What will be our reward?

Apply-

What can you learn from this passage about how to treat your husband or wife?

What qualities in verse 8 do you need to work on developing?

How do you treat others when they are unkind to you?

How should you treat them?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – I Peter 3:10-13

Examine –

1. What must we do in order to see good days?
2. What are we to hate in verse 11?
3. What are we to do?
4. What are we to seek?
5. Who is being watched?
6. Who is watching?
7. Whose prayers does the Lord hear?
8. Who is the Lord's face against?
9. Of what are we to be followers?
10. Who will harm us if we obey verse 13?
11. What does the term, "the face of the Lord" refer to?

Apply-

What kind of speech comes out of your mouth?

Would those around you agree?

What actions and attitudes in your life tell those around you that you hate evil?

What specifically are you doing to follow that which is good?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – I Peter 3:14-17

Examine –

1. Is it possible that we will suffer for Christ?
2. Can we be happy in persecution?
3. What should we not fear?
4. Where should we sanctify the Lord?
5. For what are we to be ready?
6. When are we to be ready?
7. What is our hope?
8. How should we do this?
9. What are we to have in verse 16?
10. Who will be ashamed?
11. Which is better, suffering for evil or suffering for good?

Apply-

Are you living with a good conscience?

Briefly write out why you have hope of eternal life.

Do you witness with a meek spirit, or do you think that you are better than someone who is unsaved?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – I Peter 3:18-22

Examine –

1. Who suffered for sins?
2. For whose sins did He suffer?
3. Did He deserve to suffer?
4. Why did He suffer?
5. Christ was put to death in the flesh. How was he made alive?
6. Where did Christ go and what did he do according to verse 19?

7. What word does Peter use to describe God in verse 20?
8. What did God wait for in Noah's day?
9. How many were saved in the ark?
10. What is baptism referred to in verse 21?
11. Baptism is described as
 - A. The putting away of the filth of the flesh
 - B. The answer of a good conscience toward God
12. Where is Christ today?
13. Who is subject unto Him?

Apply-

Have you accepted Christ's suffering for your sins?

Have you been Scripturally baptized?

Are you subjecting yourself willingly to His control?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – I Peter 4:1-5

Examine –

1. How are we to arm ourselves?
2. In what does suffering in the flesh result?
Note: Peter is not teaching that if we suffer we will never sin again. He is teaching that as believers, we have stopped living our life controlled by sin. (See verse 2.)
3. How did we live when we were in sin (v. 2)?
4. How should we now live?
5. Should we be satisfied to live the same as when we were unsaved?
6. List the characteristics of the will of the Gentiles (the world).

7. What does the world think of a Christian?
8. Why do they think this way?

9. How does the world treat a Christian?
10. Who is the Judge?
11. Who will give an account before the judge?

Apply-

Am I living my life in the lusts of the flesh or according to the will of God?

Do I live the same after my salvation as I did before?

Am I satisfied?

The Judge is ready to judge. Am I ready to give an account of my life?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 3:15

Read – Review

Examine –

1. How does Peter say that an unsaved husband can be won to Christ?
2. What can hinder the prayer life of a husband and wife?
3. Circle the qualities that Peter exhorted his readers to possess:

Courteous	Love	Idolatry
Lasciviousness	Compassion	Lust
Of One Mind	Reveling	Pitiful
4. Can a Christian be happy while suffering? How?
5. For what should we always be ready?
6. What did Christ do for you?
7. How does Peter describe Baptism?
8. What should change when we are saved?

Apply-

Girls, are you preparing to submit to your husband by submitting to your father?

Guys, are you preparing to love your wife by tenderly loving your mother?

How do you treat your siblings?

How do you respond to suffering?

Are you ready at all times to share your faith in Christ?

Do you share your faith?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

I PETER 4:6-5:14

I Peter 4:8

And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

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I COR. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Read – I Peter 4:6-9

Examine –

1. To whom was the gospel preached?
2. How many of us were dead? (Hint: Look at Eph. 2:1)
3. What is at hand?
4. How should we be / What should we do as a result of this?

5. What should we have above all things?
6. Define Fervent -
7. What does charity mean?
8. What does charity cover?
9. What should we use with one another?
10. How should we do that?
11. Define Hospitality –
12. Why was hospitality so important in the New Testament era?

Apply-

Do you love fellow Christians?

How do you demonstrate this?

How could you improve in this area?

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Read – I Peter 4:10-14

Examine –

1. What have we received?
2. What should we do with this gift?
3. What kind of stewards should we be?
4. The latter part of the verse tells us what this gift is; can you name it?
5. How should we speak?
6. Define Oracles of God in this passage?
7. How should we serve?
8. Why should we do these things this way?
9. What should we give Him forever and ever?
10. What should we not think strange?
11. What is the purpose of the fiery trial?
12. What should we do when they come?
13. Of what are we partakers?
14. When will we be glad?
15. What should we be if we are reproached?
16. What rests on us?
17. When we respond right to trials, who is glorified?

Apply-

How are you using the gifts God gave you?

Are you going through difficulties?

How are you responding?

Is God getting the glory?

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Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Read – I Peter 4:15-19

Examine –

1. In what four areas should we not suffer?
2. What is a busybody?
3. As what should we suffer?
4. What should we not be when we suffer this way?
5. Who should be glorified?
6. What must begin at the house of God?
7. Whose end will be worse?
8. Who is scarcely saved?
9. According to verse 19, can we suffer in the will of God?
10. If we do suffer, to whom should we trust our keeping?
11. What kind of creator is He?

Note: Explanation of verse 17 – If God uses difficulties to both punish and try us and He loves us, what is it going to be like for those who reject Him?
He will really pour out His wrath.

Apply-

Suffering is a part of the Christian walk, but why are you suffering? (For good or bad)

Are you in God's will?

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Praise: _____

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Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Read – I Peter 5:1-5

Examine –

1. Who is the writer exhorting?
2. Where are these men?
3. What is the author according to 5:1?
4. What did the author witness?
5. To what is the last part of verse 1 referring?
6. What should these pastors do to the flock?
7. List the three comparisons the author makes of how a pastor should be verses what he shouldn't be.
8. Who is going to appear?
9. What will the shepherds get when He does appear?
10. What will this crown not do?
11. To whom should the younger submit?
12. To whom should all of us submit?
13. With what should we be clothed?
14. What does God resist?
15. To whom does He give grace?

Apply-

How's your humility?

How's your submission?

On which one do you need the most help?

Have you ask God for help in these areas?

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Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Read – I Peter 5:6-9

Examine –

1. Because God resists the proud, what should we do?
2. Under what should we humble ourselves?
3. What will God do to us?
4. When will he do this?
5. Define Care –
6. What should we do with our care?
7. Why should we do this?
8. What two things are we to be?
9. Why should we do these things?
10. To what is the Devil likened?
11. What is he seeking to do?
12. What should be our response to him?
13. How should we do this?
14. What do we know?

Note: It can be an encouragement to us to know that others that are all over the world are also standing in the Faith. We are not alone!

Apply-

Are you characterized by humility?

In what areas do you demonstrate pride?

Do you give your worries to the Lord?

What are you concerned about that you have not given to the Lord?

Pride and worry are two things that the Devil uses to defeat us. Are you standing against him?

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Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Read – I Peter 5:10-14

Examine –

1. God is all about what?
2. To what does God call us?
3. Who is this by?
4. What must we do for awhile?
5. What four things will God do for us through suffering?

6. What are we to give to Him?
7. How long should we give this?
8. Who was Peter's secretary for this book?
9. What does Peter call him?
10. What church salutes them?
11. Note: This could be a code name for the church at Rome. See introduction material.
12. Who also greets them?
13. How should they greet one another?
14. What should be with them?
15. In whom will they find this?

Apply-

Look at the four answers for #5. How are you doing with these four things in your life?

List them here and write a brief description for each.

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Praise: _____

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Read – Review

Weekly memory verse – I Peter 4:8

Examine –

1. What is at hand?
2. We should watch unto what?
3. What kind of charity should we have?
4. How should we use hospitality?
5. What gift were we given?
6. Why should we do all things?
7. What should we not think strange?
8. Of what are we partakers?
9. When should we be happy?
10. What four ways should you not suffer?
11. If you suffer as a Christian, how should you respond?
12. Who is the Faithful Creator?
13. What does the writer call himself?
14. Write the opposite of each word or phrase:
Constraint Filthy lucre Lords –
15. What common problem does the author address in verse 5-6?
16. To what is the Devil likened?
17. How do we resist him?
18. What four things does God want to do in our lives through suffering?

Apply – Some areas this passage addresses are listed below. Beside each, write how you are doing in that area and any changes you need to make.

Prayer –

Love for others –

Rejoicing in difficulties –

Submission –

Humility –

Worry –

Resisting temptation –

Prayer: _____

Praise: _____

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Reach your **PEAK** potential for God through ...

P – Personal Relationships

E – Equipping for the future

A – Accountability

K – Kindling a relationship with God

