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**1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,**

**To the exiles of the Dispersion throughout  
Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,  
chosen according to the foreknowledge of God  
the Father**

**and sanctified by the Spirit for obedience to Jesus  
Christ and sprinkling by His blood:**

**Grace and peace be yours in abundance.**



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**3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**By His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,**

**4 and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, reserved in heaven for you,**

**5 who through faith are shielded by God's power for the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.**

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**6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in various trials 7 so that the proven character of your faith**

**—more precious than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—**

**may result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.**

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**8 Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and rejoice with an inexpressible and glorious joy,**

**9 now that you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.**



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**10 Concerning this salvation, the prophets who foretold the grace to come to you searched and investigated carefully,**

**11 trying to determine the time and setting to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.**

**12 It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, when they foretold the things now announced by those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.**

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## **Acts 17**

**1** When they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue.

**2** As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbaths he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, **3** explaining and proving that the Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead.

“This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Christ,” he declared.



## **Acts 17**

**4 Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, along with a large number of God-fearing Greeks and quite a few leading women.**

**5 The Jews, however, became jealous.**

**So they brought in some troublemakers from the marketplace, formed a mob, and sent the city into an uproar.**

**They raided Jason's house in search of Paul and Silas, hoping to bring them out to the people.**

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**6 But when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some other brothers before the city officials, shouting, “These men who have turned the world upside down have now come here, 7 and Jason has welcomed them into his home.**

**They are all defying Caesar’s decrees, saying that there is another king, named Jesus!”**

**8 On hearing this, the crowd and city officials were greatly disturbed.**

**9 And they collected bond from Jason and the others, and then released them.**



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**10 As soon as night had fallen, the brothers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea.**

**On arriving there, they went into the Jewish synagogue.**

**11 Now the Bereans were more noble-minded than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if these teachings were true.**

**12 As a result, many of them believed, along with quite a few prominent Greek women and men.**



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- **Beware of the world's definitions of**

**God's terms**

**2 John 1**

**6 And this is love, that we walk according to  
His commandments.**



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**Ephesians 5: 8** For you were once darkness,  
**but now** you are light in the Lord.

**Colossians 1: 21** Once you were alienated from God and were hostile in your minds because of your evil deeds.

**22 But now** He has reconciled you

**Titus 3:3** For at one time we too were foolish, disobedient, misled, and enslaved to all sorts of desires and pleasures—living in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another.

**4 But when** the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, **5** He saved us

## **Ephesians 4**

**17 So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking.**

**18 They are darkened in their understanding and alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardness of their hearts.**

**19 Having lost all sense of shame, they have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of impurity, with a craving for more.**



## **Ephesians 4**

**20 But this is not the way you came to know Christ.**

**21 Surely you heard of Him and were taught in Him—in keeping with the truth that is in Jesus—**

**22 to put off your former way of life, your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires;**

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## **Ephesians 5**

**1 Be imitators of God, therefore, as beloved children, 2 and walk in love, just as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us as a fragrant sacrificial offering to God.**

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