

LAMPLIGHTER CLASS - Summer Quarter

First Peter: "Living in Hostile Territory by the Grace of God"

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Lesson #1: "Comeback" (Part 1)

THE WRITER, PETER (1:1)

1. His _____
Matthew 4:18-19 (cp. Luke 5:2-11); 8:14; John 1:40-44; Acts 4:13
2. His _____ and Name Change (see John 1:40-42)
Compare Matthew 26:31-35. What three words do you think Peter would use to describe himself at this point in his life?
3. His _____ of Christ (Luke 22:31-34, 54-62)
Lk. 22:54-62. What 3 words might describe Peter at this point in his life?
4. His _____ (Luke 5:1-11; John 21:1-22)
Peter's 1st commission came with the Lord's call: "Follow me, & I will make you fishers of men" (cp. Luk. 5:1-11). Peter had a profitable 3-year course under the Master-Teacher, but at the end he experienced failure & finally went back to his fishing (John 21:3). It was at the seashore of Galilee that the Lord _____ Peter (John 21:15-22).
5. His _____
1 Peter 1:1; Mark 3:13-16; 5:37; Luke 8:49-56; 9:28-36; 22:40-46.
 - Jesus chose _____ of His disciples to be specially "sent one", or apostles. (Saul/Paul was another; see 1 Cor. 15:9-11).
 - Peter was part of an inner circle of disciples who were privileged to be with Christ on special occasions. The other two: James and John.
6. His _____
The Gospel accounts end soon after Peter's dismal, spiritual failure, and Christ's restoration of him. In the book of Acts Peter is an enthusiastic, energetic worker for God. (Acts 1:15; 2:14-40; 3:12-26; 4:8-12; 5:1-11; 10:34-48; Gal. 2:7).

THE _____ AND _____ OF WRITING (5:13)

1. Peter wrote his first epistle from _____ (1 Pet. 5:13)
The literal city in Iraq? Or was this a symbolic refer. to Rome (Rev. 17)?
2. Peter probably wrote this epistle sometime around A.D. _____.
3. Two persons are mentioned along with Peter in 1 Pet. 5:12 and 13.

PETER'S _____ (1:1, 2)

1. The _____ position (1:1)
Five provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, Bithynia. These areas today form most of _____.
2. Their _____ position (1:2)
Peter discussed salvation from the divine perspective & list three facets of personal redemption.
 - A. The 1st facet is the _____ of God the Father.
 - B. The 2nd facet is the _____ of the Holy Spirit.
 - C. The 3rd facet is the _____ & _____ which became ours through the blood of Christ.

PETER'S _____ (1:7)

1. Stated in 1 Pet. 1:7 ... To help believers face & _____ life's trials and persecutions.
2. Impure gold symbolizes the believer who's not learned to live with full _____ on God.
3. Fire symbolizes the _____ that burn away the self-reliance and sin in a believer's life.
4. Pure gold refers to the believer who has learned to _____ on God.

MAKING IT PERSONAL: "Coming Back"

What are some steps we can take to "come back" from spiritual failure to effective ministry?

- 1) Regularly _____ our sins;
- 2) Renewing our _____ in God's _____;
- 3) Evaluating our _____;
- 4) Learning to _____ God's grace;
- 5) Restoring _____.