

Daily Meditations

Monday

Look back at the outline and verses from this past weekend. What point stood out to you? What truth that you learned can give you hope when times are tough? *Thank God that in Him you can have hope even in the toughest times. Ask Him for opportunities to share that hope with someone today.*

Tuesday

Read 1 Peter 1:1-3. How can knowing that God has chosen you to be part of His family help you when times are tough. What is God saying in these verses to you?
How will you live like a chosen child of God today?
Thank God today for choosing you and for His unconditional love for you. Ask Him to remind you of the truth of His love today.

Wednesday

Read Psalm 63:7-8, Philippians 1:6 & 1 Peter 1:1-2 & 1:6-7. How do these verses underscore the truth that God is at work in your life? How does knowing that God is at work in your life help you when times are tough? What does 1 Peter 1:6-7 teach you about God's purpose in your problems?
Thank God today that He is working in your life. Give Him the problems you're facing and ask Him for the strength to trust and obey.

Thursday

Read Jeremiah 29:11 & 1 Peter 1:4-5. What promises about your future do you find in these verses? How can this encourage you today? In 1 Peter 1:4-5 God promises that He will keep your salvation secure. How can that help you face discouragement?
Thank God today for the eternal security He gives you. Commit your fears about the future to Him and rest in His care and control.

Friday

Read 1 Peter 1:1-12. Which of these verses has meant the most to you this week and why? How can you face tough times differently because of the promises that God has given you? Who has God placed in your life that you can encourage with what you've learned?
Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 and ask God for an opportunity to share the comfort and encouragement you've received from His Word with someone else.

Saturday

Look back over your notes from this past weekend, and ask the Lord to help you apply the principles to your life. Review the memory verse (1 Peter 1:6-7) from this past weekend.
Please continue to pray that God will use this study in 1 Peter to grow and encourage you. Please pray for the services this weekend, that Jesus Christ will be lifted up and God would use our church to reach our community.



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Good News for Bad Times

Text: 1 Peter 1:1-12

So You Think You've Got Problems?

"This letter is from Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ. I am writing to you God's chosen people who are living as foreigners in the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia. . ." 1 Peter 1:1

Things To Remember When Times Are Tough

1. You've Been _____ By _____

"God the Father knew you and chose you long ago..." 1 Peter 1:2a

Why Would God Choose You?

"...for it is his boundless mercy that has given us the privilege of being born again, so that we are now members of God's own family."
v.3a (LB)

"He saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit."
Titus 3:5

"And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord."
Romans 8:38-39

2. God Is _____ Even In Your _____

“God the Father knew you and chose you long ago, and his Spirit has made you holy. As a result, you have obeyed him and have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ.” 1 Peter 1:2

What Kind Of Work Is God Doing?

He _____ You

He _____ You

“I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.”
Philippians 1:6

“For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.”
Romans 8:29

Truths About Troubles

Trouble Is Something We Should _____

Being A Christian Doesn't _____ Us From Trouble

Christians Can Cope With Troubles By The
_____ Of God's _____

What Is God's Purpose In My Problems?

Memory Verse

“So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a while. These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold.

1 Peter 1:6-7

3. God Has _____ My _____

“We have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see.”
1 Peter 1:4-5

“God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.” Ephesians 2:8-9

“My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me, for my Father has given them to me, and he is more powerful than anyone else. No one can snatch them from the Father's hand.”
John 10:27-29

Peter's Challenge

“This means tremendous joy to you, even though at present you may be temporarily harassed by all kinds of trials.” 1 Peter 1:6 (Ph)

“Do you realize how fortunate you are? Angels would have given anything to be in on this!”
1 Peter 1:12 (TM)

MY NEXT STEP IS TO . . .

- Invite Jesus Christ to be my Lord and Savior for the 1st time
- Memorize 1 Peter 1:6-7
- Commit to a friend as much as possible each weekend during the “1 Peter” series
- Read through 1 Peter Chapter 1 this week
- Get the most out of each week's teaching by joining a Life Group

