

SAVED BY A TRIUNE GOD

1 PETER 1.1, 2

BACKGROUND: AUTHOR, TIME, AND PURPOSE

1 Peter was written by the **Apostle Peter**, somewhere in the mid-60s. Peter is known as the "Apostle of Hope," as his letters are filled with the encouragement to set our minds on the future hope we are promised.

ELECT EXILES: 1 PETER 1.1

Exiles: Peter deliberately gives the readers an encouraging word play. "Exiles" was a term used for Jews in the OT when they were exiled from their home, Israel. This allusion was his way of saying "you are God's spiritual people on the earth, but this is not your permanent home."

Elect: Elect simply means "chosen." This word in some form is used **31 times** in the NT when speaking of salvation. These exiles were chosen by God to be His.

WHAT IS THE TRINITY? 1 PETER 1.2

God is Three

Genesis 1.26 // Matthew 28.19 // 1 Corinthians 12.4-6
2 Corinthians 13.14 // Ephesians 4.4-7 // Jude 20, 21

Yet God is One

Isaiah 45.5, 6, 21, 46.9 // Acts 4.12 // Mark 12.29

THE TRINITY AND OUR SALVATION

Foreknowledge: "foreknow" occurs **5 times** in the NT, and "foreknowledge" occurs **twice** when referring to salvation. It means that God doesn't just *know* what will happen, but that He planned it *beforehand*.

Ephesians 2.10 // Isaiah 25.1 // Psalm 33.10, 11 // Acts 2.22, 23
1 John 4.10, 19 // John 15.16

Sanctification: "to be holy." Sanctification is the ongoing, life-long process of the Holy Spirit conforming you into the image of Christ.

Obedience: A life being sanctified *will lead* to a life of obedience.

God fulfilling His Promise to be Our God and We His people.

Romans 8.29-39

NOTES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

G.P.S. MEETING

If you are serving on one of our Teams or would like to become more involved with the church, come join us for our **G.P.S. (Gospel Positioning Strategy) Meeting**, where we spend time in the Word and prayer as we look ahead to the future of our church. We will be meeting on **Monday, February 11th** here at Gateway. Potluck at **6pm**, meeting starts at **6.30**. **Childcare provided after 6.30.**

KIDS ON MISSION

Please log on to check out www.lifemissionchurch.com and click "Kids" at the top to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart and his walk through of our curriculum.

WANT TO GET CONNECTED?

- **SIGN UP FOR A COMMUNITY GROUP!**
Our **Community Groups** will be starting in **TODAY**. If you want to get connected to a group of people near your neighborhood, let us know by filling out the **Connection Card!**
- **JOIN THE TEAM!**
We would love to have you come serve our community with us. Let us know on our **Connection Card** that you want to help!



SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to send. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From school and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

What stuck out to you the most or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday? _____

Read **1 Peter 1.1-9**. What words or thoughts through these first few verses jump out at you? _____

In these first few verses (**1-9**), which phrases point to the truth that it is God who initiates the work of salvation? _____

Peter is called "the Apostle of Hope." How do these truths about God's initiative toward us serve as our "living hope" (**v. 3**)? _____

In the sermon notes, note the number of times words like "elect" and "foreknowledge" are used. Why do you think it is important to God to make this a constant theme in His Word to us? _____

Read **SECOND Peter 1.3-10**. Why does Peter say we lack spiritual fruit in our life?

What is his ultimate solution to produce fruit? _____

In **2 Peter 9-10**, Peter says that we lack fruit when we "forget that we have been cleansed." In other words, we forget the truth of the Gospel, that "precious promise" (**v. 4**) which is protected in heaven (**1 Peter 1.4, 5**) because we have been chosen *by Him* according to *His desire*. He says that when we are confident in understanding our "election" (**2 Peter 1.10**), we will stand firm through our life.

Why is Peter so convinced that understanding (or at least trying to understand!) this truth will actually give us a life-changing hope and confidence in our faith?

Read **Romans 8.29-39**. What similarities do you see with Peter's and Paul's words?

Is this truth hard to comprehend? Or are you skeptical of it? It's good to be honest and open. The best thing is to go to the Word of God, and then take the Word of God into a time of prayer. Ask God to reveal His depth and beauty to you.