

## 1 Peter 1:13-25 **Be Holy – Redeemed by Blood – Born again by Word of God**

### Be Holy because God is Holy

13 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; 15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

### Redeemed with the Precious Blood of Christ

17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

### Foreordained for Faith and Hope in God

20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you 21 who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

### Pure Sincere Love

22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

### Born again by the Word of God

23 having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever, 24 because

"All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away, 25 But the word of the Lord endures forever."

Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

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Facts Revealed:

### Be Holy because God is Holy [1 Peter 1:13-16]

- ✠ Holiness is a mental choice of the will we are required to make.
  - ✧ We must be serious in our relationship with God through Christ Jesus our Lord.
  - ✧ His act of providing Salvation was not a frivolous fling, but a deep expression of love far beyond the ability of mankind, a sacrifice of His Own life that we might be saved by believing faith.
  - ✧ Our hope rests entirely upon the **grace** of God demonstrated in the revelation of Jesus Christ.
  - ✧ We must be obedient children, leaving our lustful worldly ways in repentance, and choosing to be holy in all our conduct.
  - ✧ Be holy because He Who called you is Holy.
  - ✧ God has said, "Be holy, for I am holy." [Leviticus 11:44-45, 19:2]

### Redeemed with the Precious Blood of Christ [1 Peter 1:17-19]

✚ Anyone who acknowledges God as Father must realize that God judges each person for their behavior without partiality.

✧ Right is right no matter who opposes it, wrong is wrong no matter who promotes it. God is the judge and He has given the law to help us discern between right and wrong.

✧ Knowing that we will each be judged for what we have done whether good or evil, and we will be rewarded accordingly without partiality, should cause us to approach testings with fear and trembling lest we be found to come short of holiness. [1 Peter 1:17, Romans 3:23, Hebrews 4:1, 12:15]

✧ Without holiness no one will see God [Hebrews 12:14-15]

✧ We were not redeemed by silver or gold or following the traditions of men which Jesus condemned. [1 Peter 1:18, Matthew 15:3-6, Mark 7:8-13, Colossians 2:8]

✧ We were redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without spot or blemish.

✧ Our redemption is precious in the sight of God our Father and worthy of all respect and reverence.

✧ Our response should be that of heartfelt diligence to do His will in our lives.

#### Foreordained for Faith and Hope in God [1 Peter 1:20-21]

✚ God's plan of our Salvation through Jesus Christ by faith was foreordained before the foundation of the world.

✧ It was made manifest in the life, death, and resurrection Jesus Christ as revealed by the Holy Spirit to those who believe in God Who raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory, so our faith and hope are in God.

#### Pure Sincere Love [1 Peter 1:22]

✚ We are expected to love one another fervently with a pure heart.

✧ The commandment of Jesus was;

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." [John 13:34-35, 15:12, 17]

✧ When we love one another with a pure heart in obedience to the Lord, we demonstrate that we have purified our souls by obeying the truth.

#### Born again by the Word of God [1 Peter 1:23-25]

✚ Love demonstrates that we have been born again, through the Word of God which lives and abides forever.

✧ This is the new birth of incorruptible seed by the Spirit through the Word of God.

"All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls away, But the Word of the Lord endures forever." [Isaiah 40:6-8]