

Joyful Life Bible Studies

I PETER

Review

Lesson 18

FIRST DAY: Review and Overview


1. Review I Peter 5:8-14. Choose a phrase or verse that has been especially helpful to you this week. Why?
2. Throughout our study of I Peter we have been encouraged, enriched and challenged by its promises, instructions and exhortations. Taking time this week to review each chapter will help us to retain and apply to our lives what we have learned. Remember that Peter wrote this letter to bring *hope* to believers in that turbulent era. What effect has your study of I Peter had on your *hope*?
3. Begin your lesson by writing a prayer. Express to the Lord your need and desire to have the truths from I Peter imprinted on your mind and heart. Ask Him also to enable you to apply these to your life. Write your prayer here.

*Thank God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that in His great mercy we ... have been born again
into a life full of hope,
through Christ's rising again from the dead!*
I Peter 1:3 Phillips

THIRD DAY: I Peter 2

1. Review I Peter 2. Every paragraph in Chapter Two contains essential instruction relevant to our Christian walk. Let I Peter 2 renew your mind and heart as you read it again today. Write the phrase or verse that particularly stands out to you from the following passages:
 - a. I Peter 2:1-8
 - b. I Peter 2:9-17
 - c. I Peter 2:18-25
2. In I Peter 2 we become better acquainted with our Lord through the many descriptions of Him. Choose one and share how it blesses or inspires you today.
3. Note something you learned from Chapter Two about the following:
 - a. spiritual growth
 - b. living stones
 - c. strangers and pilgrims
 - d. suffering
4. *We, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness* (I Peter 2:24b). How is your study of I Peter 2 influencing your choices, conversation and conduct?

*Jesus, Lord of heaven, I do not deserve
the grace that You have given or the promise of Your Word.
Lord, I stand in wonder at the sacrifice You made.
With mercy beyond measure, my debt You freely paid.
Jesus, Your love has no bounds.*

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FOURTH DAY: I Peter 3

1. I Peter 3 stresses the importance of our Christian witness in all our relationships. To refresh your memory read the following verses and record one or two instructions or principles concerning your witness:
 - a. in the home (I Peter 3:1-7)
 - b. among believers (I Peter 3:8,9)
 - c. among unbelievers (I Peter 3:13-17)
 - d. How does this motivate you to become the witness He wants you to be wherever you are?
2. What especially ministers to you about Jesus from I Peter 3:18-22?
3. Write one thing you learned from Chapter Three about:
 - a. *adorning*
 - b. *loving as brethren*
 - c. *suffering*
4. What influence has I Peter 3 had on your life? Be specific.

*For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous
and His ears are attentive to their prayer.*

I Peter 3:12a NIV

FIFTH DAY: I Peter 4

1. I Peter 4 is a powerful chapter that both challenges and encourages believers on how we are to live until our Lord returns. Observe this as you review its content. Choose a phrase or verse that particularly speaks to you from the following paragraphs:
 - a. I Peter 4:1-6
 - b. I Peter 4:7-11
 - c. I Peter 4:12-19

2. Read the following instructions from I Peter 4 and give a practical application of each:
 - a. *live the rest of his time . . . to the will of God*
 - b. *be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer*
 - c. *that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ*
 - d. *commit the keeping of their souls to Him . . . as unto a faithful Creator*

3. Once again the subject of *suffering* is dealt with in I Peter 4. Record one of Peter's statements or an insight you receive concerning *suffering* from these verses.

4. Remember - our Bible study is called *Joyful Life*. What do you learn about *joy* from I Peter 4:(12)13?

*One day, when He is revealed in full splendor
we will be filled with the most tremendous joy.*

I Peter 4:13b PV

SIXTH DAY: I Peter 5

1. Focus once more on the important instructions and promises in I Peter 5 as you read the following verses. Record the phrase or verse that particularly stands out to you today:
 - a. I Peter 5:1-7

 - b. I Peter 5:8-14

2. Share one thing you learned about the Lord from I Peter 5.

3. Think about the following phrases from Chapter Five. Write a brief comment about each:
 - a. *flock of God*

 - b. *for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble*

 - c. *He careth for you*

 - d. *your adversary the devil . . . walketh about, seeking whom he may devour*

4. In what way do you feel you have benefited the most from your study of I Peter?

5. One expositor has titled I Peter: *Be Hopeful*. What title would you give it?

*I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying
that this is the true grace of God.
Stand fast in it!
I Peter 5:12b NIV*

Peace be with you all that are in Christ Jesus. Amen.