

# ***First Peter: an overview***

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## *Our Objective for Day 4*

- ◆ To gain a better understanding of the contents of First Peter **3:13-5:11**
- ◆ To learn how to apply these concepts to our daily living.

# ***First Peter: outline***

◆ 1:1-2

◆ **Praescriptio**

◆ 1:3-12

◆ **Proem**

◆ 1:13-2:10

◆ **Body: 1<sup>st</sup> part**

◆ ***Holy Living***

◆ 2:11-3:12

◆ **Body: 2<sup>nd</sup> part**

◆ ***Obligations***

◆ 3:13-5:11

◆ **Body: 3<sup>rd</sup> part**

◆ ***Persecution***

◆ 5:12-14

◆ **Conclusio**

# ***First Peter 3:13-5:11***

## ***Experiencing persecution:***

- ◆ **With encouragement to endure, 3:13-4:11**
- ◆ **With understanding, 4:12-19**
- ◆ **With proper conduct, 5:1-11**

# *First Peter 3:13-4:11, Persecution, pt. 1*

- ◆ **With encouragement to endure:**
- ◆ **Don't be afraid, 3:13-14**
- ◆ **Be prepared to answer, 3:15-17**
- ◆ **Remember the example of Christ, 3:18-22**
- ◆ **With good reasons, adopt Christ's intention, 4:1-6**
- ◆ **Remember that judgment is near, 4:7-11**

# ***First Peter 3:13-14***

13 Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? 14 But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated,

- ◆ **Καὶ τίς ὁ κακῶσων ὑμᾶς ἐὰν τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ ἱζηλωταὶ γένησθε;**
- ◆ **ἀλλ' εἰ καὶ πάσχοιτε διὰ δικαιοσύνην, μακάριοι.**
- ◆ **τὸν δὲ φόβον αὐτῶν μὴ φοβηθῆτε μηδὲ παραχθῆτε,**

# ***First Peter 2:15-17***

**15 but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord.** Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; 16 yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. 17 For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.

- ◆ κύριον δὲ τὸν Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν ἀγιάσατε ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν
- ◆ ἔτοιμοι ἀεὶ πρὸς ἀπολογία πάντι τῷ αἰτοῦντι ὑμᾶς λόγον περὶ τῆς ἐν ὑμῖν ἐλπίδος
- ◆ ἀλλὰ μετὰ πραΰτητος καὶ φόβου, συνείδησιν ἔχοντες ἀγαθὴν
- ◆ ἵνα ἐν ᾧ Ἰησοῦ καταλαλεῖσθε καταισχυθῶσιν οἱ ἐπηρεάζοντες ὑμῶν τὴν ἀγαθὴν ἐν Χριστῷ ἀναστροφὴν.
- ◆ κρεῖττον γὰρ ἀγαθοποιοῦντας, εἰ θέλοι τὸ θέλημα τοῦ θεοῦ, πάσχειν ἢ κακοποιοῦντας.

# First Peter 3:18-22

18 For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, 19 in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, 20 who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. 21 And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him

- ◆ ὅτι καὶ Χριστὸς ἅπαξ περὶ ἁμαρτιῶν ἔπαθεν, δίκαιος ὑπὲρ ἀδίκων
- ◆ ἵνα ἡμᾶς προσαγάγῃ τῷ θεῷ, θανατωθεὶς μὲν σαρκὶ ζωοποιηθεὶς δὲ πνεύματι·
- ◆ ἐν ᾧ καὶ τοῖς ἐν φυλακῇ πνεύμασιν πορευθεὶς ἐκήρυξεν, ἀπειθήσασίν ποτε ὅτε ἀπεξεδέχετο ἡ τοῦ θεοῦ μακροθυμία ἐν ἡμέραις Νῶε κατασκευαζομένης κιβωτοῦ εἰς ἣν ὀλίγοι, τοῦτ' ἔστιν ὀκτὼ ψυχαί, διεσώθησαν δι' ὕδατος.
- ◆ ὁ καὶ ἡμᾶς ἀντίτυπον νῦν ἰσχύει βάπτισμα, οὐ σαρκὸς ἀπόθεσις ῥύπτου ἀλλὰ συνειδήσεως ἀγαθῆς ἐπερώτημα εἰς θεόν, δι' ἀναστάσεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ,
- ◆ ὅς ἐστιν ἐν δεξιᾷ θεοῦ πορευθεὶς εἰς οὐρανὸν ὑποταγέντων αὐτῷ ἀγγέλων καὶ ἐξουσιῶν καὶ δυνάμεων.



# First Peter 4:1-6

1 Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, **arm yourselves also with the same intention** (for whoever has suffered in the flesh has finished with sin), 2 so as to live for the rest of your earthly life no longer by human desires but by the will of God. 3 You have already spent enough time in doing what the Gentiles like to do, living in licentiousness, passions, drunkenness, revels, carousing, and lawless idolatry. 4 They are surprised that you no longer join them in the same excesses of dissipation, and so they blaspheme. 5 But they will have to give an accounting to him who stands ready to judge the living and the dead. 6 For this is the reason the gospel was proclaimed even to the dead, so that, though they had been judged in the flesh as everyone is judged, they might live in the spirit as God does.

- ◆ Χριστοῦ οὖν ἡπαθόντος σαρκὶ καὶ ὑμεῖς τὴν αὐτὴν ἔννοιαν ὀπλίσασθε,
- ◆ ὅτι ὁ ἡπαθὼν σαρκὶ πέπταται ἡαμαρτίας,
- ◆ εἰς τὸ μηκέτι ἀνθρώπων ἐπιθυμίας ἀλλὰ θελήματι θεοῦ τὸν ἐπίλοιπον ἐν σαρκὶ βιώσαι χρόνον.
- ◆ ἀρκετὸς γὰρ ὁ παρεληλυθὼς ἡχρόνος τὸ ἡβούλημα τῶν ἔθνῶν ἡκατειργάσθαι, πεπορευμένους ἐν ἀσελγείαις, ἐπιθυμίας, οἰνοφλυγίαις, κώμοις, πότοις, καὶ ἀθεμίτοις εἰδωλολατρίαις.
- ◆ ἐν ᾧ ξενίζονται μὴ συντρεχόντων ὑμῶν εἰς τὴν αὐτὴν τῆς ἀσωτίας ἀνάχυσιν, βλασφημοῦντες· 5 οἱ ἀποδώσουσιν λόγον τῷ ἐτοίμως ἔχοντι κρῖναι ἡζῶντας καὶ νεκρούς·
- ◆ εἰς τοῦτο γὰρ καὶ νεκροῖς εὐηγγελίσθη ἵνα κριθῶσι μὲν κατὰ ἀνθρώπους σαρκὶ ζῶσι δὲ κατὰ θεὸν πνεύματι.

# First Peter 4:7-11

**7 The end of all things is near;** therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. **8 Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins.** **9 Be hospitable to one another without complaining.** **10 Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.** **11 Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.**

- ◆ **Πάντων δὲ τὸ τέλος ἤγγικεν.**
- ◆ **σωφρονήσατε οὖν καὶ νήψατε**  
**ἱεῖς προσευχάς·**
- ◆ **πρὸς πάντων τὴν εἰς ἑαυτοὺς**  
**ἀγάπην ἐκτενῆ ἔχοντες, ὅτι**  
**ἀγάπη ἱκαλύπτει πλήθος**  
**ἁμαρτιῶν·**
- ◆ **φιλόξενοι εἰς ἀλλήλους ἄνευ**  
**ἰγογγυσμοῦ·**
- ◆ **ἕκαστος καθὼς ἔλαβεν**  
**χάρισμα, εἰς ἑαυτοὺς αὐτὸ**  
**διακονοῦντες ὡς καλοὶ**  
**οἰκονόμοι ποικίλης χάριτος**  
**θεοῦ·**
- ◆ **εἴ τις λαλεῖ, ὡς λόγια θεοῦ· εἴ**  
**τις διακονεῖ, ὡς ἐξ ἰσχύος**  
**ἡς χορηγεῖ ὁ θεός**
- ◆ **ἵνα ἐν πᾶσιν δοξάζεται ὁ θεὸς**  
**διὰ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ᾧ ἔστιν**  
**ἡ δόξα καὶ τὸ κράτος εἰς**  
**τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων·**  
**ἀμήν·**

# *First Peter 4:12-19, Persecution, pt. 2*

- ◆ **With understanding:**
  - ◆ **Your suffering is Christ's suffering, 4:12-14**
  - ◆ **Your suffering is unjust, 4:15-19**

## ***First Peter 4:12-14***

**12 Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.**

- ◆ Ἀγαπητοί, μὴ ξενίζεσθε τῇ ἐν ὑμῖν πυρώσει πρὸς πειρασμὸν ὑμῖν γινομένη ὡς ξένου ὑμῖν συμβαίνοντος,
- ◆ ἀλλὰ καθὸ κοινωνεῖτε τοῖς τοῦ Χριστοῦ παθήμασιν χαίρετε, ἵνα καὶ ἐν τῇ ἀποκαλύψει τῆς δόξης αὐτοῦ χαρῆτε ἀγαλλιώμενοι.
- ◆ εἰ ὄνειδίζεσθε ἐν ὀνόματι Χριστοῦ, μακάριοι, ὅτι τὸ τῆς δόξης καὶ τὸ τοῦ θεοῦ πνεῦμα ἐφ' ὑμᾶς ἱάναπαύεται.

# First Peter 4:15-19

15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, a criminal, or even as a mischief maker. 16 Yet if any of you suffers as a Christian, do not consider it a disgrace, but glorify God because you bear this name. 17 For the time has come for judgment to begin with the household of God; if it begins with us, what will be the end for those who do not obey the gospel of God? 18 And "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinners?" 19 Therefore, let those suffering in accordance with God's will entrust themselves to a faithful Creator, while continuing to do good.

- ◆ μὴ γάρ τις ὑμῶν πασχέτω ὡς φονεὺς ἢ κλέπτης ἢ κακοποιὸς ἢ ὡς ἀλλοτριεπίσκοπος·
- ◆ εἰ δὲ ὡς Χριστιανός, μὴ αἰσχυνέσθω, δοξαζέτω δὲ τὸν θεὸν ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦτω.
- ◆ ὅτι ὁ καιρὸς τοῦ ἄρξασθαι τὸ κρίμα ἀπὸ τοῦ οἴκου τοῦ θεοῦ· εἰ δὲ πρῶτον ἀφ' ἡμῶν, τί τὸ τέλος τῶν ἀπειθούντων τῷ τοῦ θεοῦ εὐαγγελίῳ;
- ◆ καὶ εἰ ὁ δίκαιος μόλις σώζεται, ὁ ἀσεβὴς καὶ ἀμαρτωλὸς ποῦ φανεῖται;
- ◆ ὥστε καὶ οἱ πάσχοντες κατὰ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ θεοῦ πιστῶ κτίστη παρατιθέσθωσαν τὰς ψυχὰς αὐτῶν ἐν ἀγαθοποιίᾳ.

# *First Peter 5:1-11*

## *Persecution, pt. 3*

- ◆ **With proper conduct:**
  - ◆ **Pastors, lead your flock by example,  
5:1-4**
  - ◆ **Members, conduct yourselves properly,  
5:5-11**

# First Peter 5:1-4

1 Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you 2 **to tend the flock of God that is in your charge**, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. 3 Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. 4 And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away.

- ◆ Πρεσβυτέρους ἄρα ἐν ὑμῖν παρακαλῶ ὁ συμπρεσβύτερος καὶ μάρτυς τῶν τοῦ Χριστοῦ παθημάτων, ὁ καὶ τῆς μελλούσης ἀποκαλύπτεσθαι δόξης κοινωνός,
- ◆ **ποιμάνετε τὸ ἐν ὑμῖν ποίμνιον τοῦ θεοῦ,**
- ◆ Ἐπισκοποῦντες μὴ ἀναγκαστῶς ἀλλὰ ἐκουσίως ἑκατὰ θεόν, μηδὲ αἰσχροκερδῶς ἀλλὰ προθύμως,
- ◆ μηδ' ὡς κατακυριεύοντες τῶν κληρῶν ἀλλὰ τύποι γινόμενοι τοῦ ποιμνίου·
- ◆ καὶ φανερωθέντος τοῦ ἀρχιποίμενος κομιεῖσθε τὸν ἀμαράντινον τῆς δόξης στέφανον.

# First Peter 5:5-11

5 In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." 6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. 7 Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. 8 Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. 9 Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. 10 And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. 11 To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

- ♦ ὁμοίως, νεώτεροι, ὑποτάγητε πρεσβυτέροις. πάντες δὲ ἑαλληλοῖς τὴν ταπεινοφροσύνην ἐγκομβώσασθε, ὅτι Ὁ θεὸς ὑπερηφάνοις ἀντιτάσσεται ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν.
- ♦ ταπεινώθητε οὖν ὑπὸ τὴν κραταιὰν χεῖρα τοῦ θεοῦ, ἵνα ὑμᾶς ὑψώσῃ ἐν καιρῷ, πᾶσαν τὴν μέριμναν ὑμῶν ἐπιρίψαντες ἐπ' αὐτόν, ὅτι αὐτῷ μέλει περὶ ὑμῶν.
- ♦ νήψατε, γρηγορήσατε. ὁ ἀντίδικος ὑμῶν διάβολος ὡς λέων ὠρυόμενος περιπατεῖ ζητῶν ἑτινα ἑκαταπιεῖν· ὧ ἀντίστητε στερεοὶ τῇ πίστει, εἰδότες τὰ αὐτὰ τῶν παθημάτων τῇ ἐν ἑτῷ κόσμῳ ὑμῶν ἀδελφότητι ἐπιτελεῖσθαι.
- ♦ ὁ δὲ θεὸς πάσης χάριτος, ὁ καλέσας ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν αἰώνιον αὐτοῦ δόξαν ἐν ἑΧριστῷ, ὀλίγον παθόντας αὐτὸς ἑκαταρτίσει, στηρίξει, σθενώσῃ, ἑθεμελιώσῃ. 11 ἑαὐτῷ τὸ κράτος εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας ἑτῶν αἰῶνων· ἀμήν.



# ***First Peter 3:13-5:11***

What have we learned today?

## ***Suffering persecution means:***

- ◆ With encouragement to endure, 3:13-4:11
- ◆ With understanding, 4:12-19
- ◆ With proper conduct, 5:1-11