



## "Responding to Salvation Grace" (Part 5)

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### 1 Peter 1:15



**13** Therefore, having girded up the loins of your mind, with sober-mindedness, set your hope fully on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. **14** As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance. **15** But like the holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; **16** because it is written: "You shall be holy, for I Am Holy." **17** And if you call upon the Father as the One who judges with impartiality according to each one's work, conduct yourselves with fear during your time of exile, **18** knowing that you have been redeemed

from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things like silver and gold, **19** but with the precious blood of Christ, like an unblemished and spotless lamb. **20** He was foreknown from before the foundation of the world, but He has appeared in these last times for your sake, **21** who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

– 1 Peter 1:13-21, As translated from the Greek New Testament by T. Bartolucci.

### I. Our Response to the Glory of our Salvation (13-21)

- A. We are to Fix our Hope on Future Grace (13)
- B. We are to Forsake our Former Passions (14)
- C. We are to Pursue Holiness (vv. 15-16)
  - 1. The Pursuit of Holiness (v. 15)

"Responding to salvation grace results in the pleasure of hope and the pursuit of holiness."

*Sub-Points from the last two weeks:*

- a. **The Standard: A Holy God**
- b. **What is the "call" of God ("the Holy One who called you")?**
- c. **What does it mean for us to be holy? A balanced approach to holiness**
  - (1) **It starts with taking SIN seriously**
    - (a) Whatever happened to sin? (The psychologizing of sin)
    - (b) Before sin ever leads us to holiness, it must first lead us to Christ (example of Martin Luther)
  - (2) **We need to understand what Christ has done for us**
    - (a) Knowing Our UNION with Christ
    - (b) Knowing our Positional HOLINESS
    - (c) Knowing the difference between Christ's active and passive obedience for us
      - i. Christ's PASSIVE Obedience (Christ suffered and died for us)
      - ii. Christ's ACTIVE Obedience (Christ lived for us)

(3) What We are to Do (Phil. 2:12-13 principle)

*It's axiomatic; when we say God is Holy, we are simply saying that God is God.*

(a) This is a Command . . .

i. God is not holy on a part-time basis

ii. Genuine holiness will impact all of our behavior

\* anastrophē (ἀναστροφή) "behavior" - Cf. old English "conversation"

(b) We have to put off the **F**\_\_\_\_\_ ("mortification")

(c) We have to be spiritually **D**\_\_\_\_\_

i. We have to be disciplined in our **B**\_\_\_\_\_ Intake

ii. We have to be disciplined in our Spiritual **W**\_\_\_\_\_

\* Includes the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives . . .

iii. We have to be disciplined in **G**\_\_\_\_\_ our minds

iv. We have to be disciplined in our **C**\_\_\_\_\_ Life

v. We have to be disciplined in **P**\_\_\_\_\_

**Conclusion**