

1 Peter Series

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CRAVE THE WORD!!!! – PART 2

1 PETER 2:1–3



1ST PETER

LIVING IN LIGHT
OF ETERNITY

1:1–2 Salutation, greeting “to the pilgrims of the dispersion” the *diaspora*

1:3–12 Introduction: Living in light of eternity means we can rejoice in the midst of the present fiery trial because our love for God enables us to focus on the glories to come.

I. Stand in Grace by girding up the loins of your mind and thinking objectively based on God's Word. 1:13–2:12

- 1. Rest your hope fully on the grace brought to you through objective thinking ...
(1 Pet. 1:13–14)**
- 2. Set yourselves apart to the service of God in every area of your lifestyle.
(1 Pet. 1:15–16)**
- 3. Conduct your lives in fearful respect of God ... (1 Pet. 1:17–21)**
- 4. Love one another with integrity ...
(1 Pet. 1:22–25)**
- 5. Crave the milk of the Word (1 Pet. 2:1)**

6. Conclusion: Honorable conduct that you may glorify God at the *Bema*.

1 Pet. 2:11, “Beloved, I beg you as **sojourners and pilgrims**, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,

1 Pet. 2:12, “having your **conduct** honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.”

1 Pet. 2:13, “**Therefore** submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord’s sake, whether to the king as supreme,”

Now this imperishable seed, the message of the gospel of grace, resulted in regeneration. This new life of a spiritual infant must be nourished for growth, hence, 1 Pet. 2:1–3.

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1 Pet. 2:2, “as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,

1 Pet. 2:3, “if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.”

Primary thought:

Desire the pure milk of the Word!

1 Pet. 1:22, “Since you have [already in the past] purified your souls [positional sanctification] by obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

1 Pet. 1:23, “because you have been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,”

THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

**PHASE
ONE**

Justification

**Saved from
Penalty of Sin**

“you were saved”

**PHASE
Two**

**Spiritual
Life**

**Saved from
Power of Sin**

“you are being saved”

**PHASE
THREE**

Glorification

**Saved from
Presence of Sin**

**“you will be
saved”**



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*** Some translations, such as the ESV, translate this as a command. It is not.**

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**aor mid part masc plur
nom**

to put off, away; to take away, or to remove dirt from the body

Rom. 13:12, “The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.”

***Not the same grammatical construction, but the same idea.**

Col. 3:8, “But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.”

**ἀποτίθημι *apotithēmi*
aor mid impera 2 plur
to put off, away**

The grammatical structure fits the pattern of a participle of attendant circumstance.

- **The tense of the participle is usually aorist.**
- **The tense of the main verb is usually aorist.**
- **The mood of the main verb is usually imperative or indicative.**
- **The participle will precede the main verb—both in word order and time of event (though usually there is a very close proximity).**
- **Attendant circumstance participles occur frequently in narrative literature, infrequently elsewhere.**

~Dan Wallace, *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics*, 642

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The participle has something of an ingressive force to it. ... it is often used to to introduce a new action or a shift in the narrative.

The participle is a prerequisite to the action of the main verb, but the emphasis is on the action of the main verb, not the action of the participle.

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long for, yearn for

James 1:21, “Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.”

Eph. 4:22, “that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,”

Eph. 4:25, “Therefore, putting away lying, [participle] ‘Let each one of you speak [imperative] truth with his neighbor,’ for we are members of one another.”

Heb. 12:1, “Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside [participle] every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run [hortatory subjunctive (imperative)] with endurance the race that is set before us,”

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**δόλος *dolos*
acc masc sing
deceit, corruption,
dissimulation, fraud, guile,
pretense**

Rom. 1:29, “being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers,”

1 Cor. 14:20, “Brethren, do not be children in understanding; however, in malice be babes, but in understanding be mature.”

Eph. 4:31, “Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.”

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Summary: Malice = anything that is unjust, destructive, damaging of people, or evil. A broad, general word covering a multitude of sins.

One commentator states:

κακία could be summarized as “mischief” or “bad blood,” the nursing and acting out of grudges against particular people, or against society as a whole. (WBC)

John 1:47, “Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, ‘Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!’ ”

No fraud, guile, pretense, not self-serving.

ὑπόκρισις *hypokrisis* hypocrisy

**deceit, deceitfulness, deception,
dissembling, duplicity, falsity, imposture,
insincerity, pharisaism, phoniness**

**Intentionally doing one thing deceptively, to
mask something else.**

**Matt. 23:28, “Even so you also outwardly
appear righteous to men, but inside you are
full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.”**

φθόνος *phthonos* envy

Rom. 1:29, “being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers,”

Gal. 5:21, “envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”

Evil speaking

2 Cor. 12:20, “For I fear lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I wish, and that I shall be found by you such as you do not wish; lest there be contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, backbitings, whisperings, conceits, tumults;”

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**αὐξάνω *auxanō*
aor pass subj 2 plur
to grow; cause to
grow**

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Col. 1:9, “For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

Col. 1:10, “that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing [growing] in the knowledge of God;”

**John 17:17, “Sanctify them by Your truth.
Your word is truth.”**

ἁγιάζω *hagiazō*

**aor act impera 2 sing
to sanctify**

1 Pet. 2:3, “if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.”

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**γεύομαι *geuomai*
aor mid indic 2 plur
to taste, experience**

Heb. 2:9, “But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.”