



FOREIGNERS & EXILES

A HOLY DESIRE

1 PETER 1:22-2:3

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. For,

“All people are like grass,
and all their glory is like the flowers of the field;
the grass withers and the flowers fall,
but the word of the Lord endures forever.”

And this is the word that was preached to you.

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

1 Peter 1:22-2:3

Peter intends his readers to understand who they are before God *so that* they can be who they are in society.

-Scot McKnight

Gospel always involves *a way of living* in a given social environment.

Quantity & Quality of Redemption

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with **the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.**

1 Peter 1:18-19

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1 Peter 1:23

“The traumatized person -- in this case, me -- gets traumatized by the very thing that I thought would be the balm,” she says. “I thought that all would be helped and healed and soothed by fame... ‘I will be less lonely and I will be understood and I will be loved, and that love will go in and heal any of the broken parts.’”

Alanis Morissette

“I thought that all would be helped and healed
and soothed by _____.”

“If I find in myself desires which nothing in this world can satisfy, the only logical explanation is that I was made for another world.”

CS Lewis

the gospel

Jesus died so you can live.

Therefore, rid yourselves of all...

- Malice
- Deceit
- Hypocrisy
- Envy
- Slander