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Life Outside 1 Peter 1:10-25

What is the greatest gift an outsider can receive?

I. The Gift Every Outsider Needs--

Peter 1:10-12 As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, 11 seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow. 12 It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven--things into which angels long to look.

A. The______ served to offer you grace.

B. The_____ longed to see you receive this gift.

5 Outsider Responses to Grace

Peter 1:13 Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

I. Outsider ______--Prepare Your Mind for Action.

I Peter 1:13 Therefore, prepare your minds for action...

II. Outsider --Have a Sober Spirit.

I Peter 1:13 ... keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

III. Outsider --Be holy...

I Peter 1:14-16 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your 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."

IV. Outsider _____--Humility

Peter 1:17-19 If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, 19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.

V. Outsider ______--Fervently love one another...

I Peter 1:22-25 Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart, 23 for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God. 24 For, "ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERS. AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, 25 BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER." And this is the word which was preached to you.

Main Point:

Field Notes: Reflections From Outside.

- 1. How am I preparing my mind for action?
- 2. Am I developing a sober spirit? What are the "drugs" or "distractions" or "habits" that draw my spirit away from the hope of grace?
- 3. How is my life with God like an obedient child? Where do I need to allow grace to make me holy as God is holy?
- 4. Would people say that I have an attitude of arrogance or humility? What does that look like?

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