

Keeping Your Eternal Perspective

Video Bible Study | First Peter 2:1-3 | 5/15/20

Seeking Your Input!

Your questions are invited for a very special video Q&A. If we get enough questions, Heather will host a Q&A with Pastor Michael. Please send questions to Pastor Michael via email, phone, etc. Thank you in advance!

“What Do I See?” (Read the text)

¹ Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, ² like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, ³ if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. (1 Peter 2:1–3)

“What Does It Mean? (Answer some questions)

1. How does the word “therefore” impact our passage?
2. How does he begin his discussion in 2:1?
3. Peter gives us a list of what we are to put off. Can you fill-in the sin beside the corresponding definition? Why does he speak of these particular sins and not others?

The Sin	Definition	Corrosive Effect
	A vicious attitude, ill-will.	Destroys harmony.
	Jealousy.	Self-advancement, rather than others-focused.
	A form of lying, deliberate dishonesty. Taking advantage in underhanded ways.	Breeds distrust. I’m not entrusting myself or my family to deceivers.
	Defamation, backbiting. Speaking ill or evil of someone.	Damages reputations—particularly your own.
	Play-acting, creating a false impression.	Damages the church’s corporate testimony.

4. What does Peter desire for believers? (v.2)

<p><i>Dolos</i> “Deceit” in v.1 δόλος</p>	<p><i>Adolos</i> “Pure” in v.2 ἄδολος</p>
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5. Complete the illustration! “Long for the pure milk like ____.” What effects does “pure milk” produce?

6. What is the purpose for the command we just learned?

Is Peter saying that if I desire the Bible I will grow? What does a longing for the word look like? What does growth look like?

7. What are we to make of v.3?

Application: “How will I apply the meaning to my life?”

Digging Deeper: “No Substitutions, Please”

Perhaps you’ve read it on a restaurant menu: “no substitutions, please.” This same phrase can be applied to growth in the Christian life. There is simply no substitution for the reading/hearing of the Bible for Christian growth. No other book in the history of the world “lives”—Hebrews 4:12 reveals the “Word of God is living and active.” We live in an era where vast amounts of Bible reading aids are available: devotional booklets, Sunday School classes, and the internet. But God has spoken in His Word and nowhere else. We must hear from Him to grow in our salvation. As you reflect upon your personal growth, ask yourself “what priority do I regularly place upon reading/hearing the Bible?” As you answer that remember, there are no substitutions.