

# 1 PETER



PETER 1:7

THESE HAVE COME SO THAT THE PROVEN GENUINENESS  
OF YOUR FAITH OF GREATER WORTH THAN GOLD,  
WHICH PERISHES EVEN THOUGH REFINED BY FIRE, MAY  
RESULT IN PRAISE, GLORY AND HONOR WHEN JESUS  
CHRIST IS REVEALED.

## SMALL GROUP GUIDE

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### A Holy Life

The main subject of 1 Peter 1:13–31 is personal holiness. The idea of holiness has often been reduced simply to a discussion of moral purity, but this alone is not an accurate definition. The word "holy" means to be set apart for a special purpose. Objects can be holy as well as people. We are called to be set apart from the surrounding culture in a way consistent with God's character revealed in Jesus Christ — the desired result of a deep faith.

#### Read 1 Peter 1:13–31.

- When you hear the phrase 'personal holiness,' what does it mean to you? How would you describe a holy life?
- How can an alert and fully sober mind help deepen your faith as a follower of Jesus (1 Peter 1:13)? (see 1 Peter 4:7; 5:8)
- Peter here quotes a passage from the Old Testament about our call to personal holiness. What does it mean for us as believers today (1 Peter 1:16)? (see Romans 12:1; 2 Timothy 1:9)
- How is redemption uniquely described in this passage? What have we been redeemed from (1 Peter 1:18)? (Mark 5:15; John 4:7–18)
- How would you describe your way of life before you experienced your new birth through the grace of Jesus?
- Where in your life do you need to be more wholly devoted to God?

### Praying together

Holy Spirit, help me pursue a more informed faith grounded in the teachings of the Scriptures.