Sermon Notes May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## Exhortations to Know Christ Be Children of God 1 Peter 1:13-2:3

- 1. Aware of your position in Christ (1 Peter1:13-16, 2 Corinthians 10:5, Matthew 5:8)
  - a. Be \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Be \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Be \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Hear God's Word Communicate (1 Peter 1:17-25, 2 Timothy 3:16)
  a. God's \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Gives you \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Through His \_\_\_\_\_

- 3. Aggressively Pursue Growth (1 Peter 2:1-3, Matthew 5:6)
  - a. Put away \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ like a child.
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ God is good.

## Know Jesus I Peter 1:13-2:3 Be Children of God

10 Questions for study and discussion

1. What is something you have spent a lot of time preparing for recently? What were the obstacles that were blocking you from maintaining focus and attention? Is there something you have learned about discipline lately? (vs. 13)

2. When you think about Jesus being revealed, what about that Day most impresses you? (Matthew 24:30-31, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). What does 1 Peter 1:13 say we should focus on?

3. Peter tells his readers to be as "obedient children" are in verse 14. What are the characteristics of an obedient child? Specifically what will this child do in the face of temptation? What is the secret that Peter uncovers for us to look at and focus on (vs. 14-16; See also Leviticus 11:45, 45; 19:2; 20:7).

4. What kind of Father is God? As you imagine yourself drawing close to Him and He drawing close to you, what do you hear Him saying to you? (vs. 17; Romans 2:4; Hebrews 10:19-22, James 4:6-8; Titus 3:4-5).

5. What kinds of things have you done to try to earn the favor of people and God? Why does Peter say that there are "futile ways" of life that we need to be redeemed of? What do you know about that kind of life? (vs. 18; Ephesians 2:1-3).

6. Peter says that the "futile ways" have been "inherited from your forefathers". As you read about this, do you quickly run to passing judgement on others or thinking with humility about yourself? (vs. 18, Romans 2:1).

7. How and why is the blood of Christ precious to you? (vs. 19, Matthew 26:28, 1 Corinthians 6:20, Ephesians 2:13).

8. How does the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead bring you hope? (vs. 20-21, Job 19:25-27).

9. How does the Christ's resurrection relate to your holy lifestyle? (vs. 21, Ephesians 2:4-5, Romans 8:11). How does the Word of God relate to your holy lifestyle? (vs. 22-25, Psalm 119:11)

10. Peter uses the word "Therefore" at the beginning of Chapter2. Why is the "therefore" there for? (see vs. 25 and 2:1). What are we to get rid of and what are we to long for? (1 Peter 2:1-3, Psalm 42:1-2).