

Bible Study 11 - Why do we call Jesus our Lord?

Read 1 Peter 1:13-25

1. Peter has just written about the living hope we have because Jesus rose from the dead. That means we have a new life with an inheritance in heaven kept for you who believe. This changes the way we live our lives now. Let's see how that change is described in 1 Peter 1:13-17
 - a) For what do we prepare our minds?
 - b) Rather than giving into our desires, what kind of control are we to exercise?
 - c) What are we to set our hopes on?
 - d) What are we not to conform to?
 - e) What four letter word describes the kind of life God has called us to?
 - f) Rather than living as if this earth were our real home and our happiness here was all that mattered, how are we to live according to 1 Peter 1:17
 - g) What is our attitude toward the Father as we live as strangers here?
 - h) In your own words describe what it means to "live as strangers here in reverent fear"
2. In 1 Peter 1:18-21 Peter reminds us why we live as as strangers here who see that this earth is passing away and that our real treasure is in heaven and so live in a way that honors and reveres our heavenly Father, placing him above all things.
 - a) What were we redeemed from?
 - b) What makes the life we inherit from our parents so empty and pointless? (see also Romans 6:23a)
 - c) What cannot pay the price to set us free from this empty inheritance handed down to us?
 - d) What alone could and did redeem you?
 - e) Why is Christ's blood so precious? (see also 1 John 1:7)
 - f) What word here reminds us that Jesus Christ sacrificed himself in our place as pictured in the Old Testament sacrifices?
 - g) How is Christ described to show us that he was sinless and holy?
 - h) God chose to do this from all eternity, how did he reveal these things to us? (see also John 20:31)
 - i) Because Jesus died and rose from the dead, where is your faith and hope
3. So Jesus, the holy Lamb of God without blemish or defect, has purified you from all sins. What is our new attitude toward others because of what Jesus has done for us? (1 Peter 1:22)
4. What is the imperishable seed that has given us this new birth and life? (v. 23)
5. What eventually happen to even the best, most glorious things of this world?(v. 24)
6. What stands forever? (v. 25)
7. How did God's Word come to you so that you may believe? (v. 25)