

Sermon Questions

Date: *January 16, 2021* | Scripture: <u>1 Peter 1:13-25</u>

- 1. Read 1 Peter 1:13-25. What stands out to you?
- 2. What is your gut reaction when you think of holiness? How does that image interact with this teaching?
- 3. The warning in verses 14-16 assumes that this is a real danger to believers. How might we need to engage this warning today?
- 4. From verses 17-23, collect assurances that you are loved and belong to God.
- 5. The way that holiness changes the world is that it leads us to a life of self-sacrificial love. How can we pursue the heart of God in our homes and workplaces this week? Prayerfully identify specifics, and write them down.

Inward Grace in Action

The questions below are a little more intimate and are meant to be discussed with a trusted friend or partner.

- 1. Verse 18 teaches us that we were ransomed from futile ways inherited from our forefathers. What assumptions or expectations, picked up in your home or subculture as you grew up, might you need to challenge in light of the gospel?
- 2. God both loves and likes you. His word is his song to you, and as his child you can learn to sing it back. Spend some time sharing and praying about your spiritual practices, especially reading his word and prayer.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Deuteronomy 4:15-31
- Psalm 49
- Isaiah 40:1-8
- Luke 12:35-48
- Romans 13:8-14
- Hebrews 12:18-29

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