

## LIFE IN EXILE

SUSTAINED BY HOPE IN A HOSTILE WORLD

1 Peter - Part 16

### A CALL TO ARMS

#### Taking Sanctification Seriously

(1 Peter 4:1-6)

#### INTRODUCTION:

#### LAST WEEK:

**CHRIST IS NOT ONLY OUR EXAMPLE IN SUFFERING, BUT OUR VICTOR** (1 Peter 3:18-22)

**1. Jesus and His Atonement.** (v. 18)

"For Christ also suffered [died] for sins once for all, the just for the unjust..."

**2. Jesus and His Announcement.** (v. 19-21)

"...in which also He went and made proclamation to the spirits now in prison,..."

**3. Jesus and His Ascension.** (v. 22)

"...who is at the right hand of God, having gone into heaven, after angels and authorities and powers had been subjected to Him...."

- An extension and expansion of 2:21-25

#### TODAY'S TEXT (4:1-6) REFLECTS PETER'S EARLY POINT IN CHAPTER 1:13-21

"As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written, 'YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY.'"

—1 Peter 1:14f.

#### THE QUESTION:

Will you \_\_\_\_\_ the way of the \_\_\_\_\_ or the way of the \_\_\_\_\_ ?

Will you \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ or the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ ?

"For this is the will of God, your sanctification..."

—1 Thessalonians 4:3

#### 1A. SANCTIFICATION AND \_\_\_\_\_ . (v. 1)

"Therefore, since Christ has suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same purpose, because he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin..."

2A. SANCTIFICATION AND \_\_\_\_\_ . (v. 2-3)

1B. The Time \_\_\_\_\_ You: (v. 2)

“...so as to live **the rest of the time** in the flesh no longer for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.”

2B. The Time \_\_\_\_\_ You: (v. 3)

“For **the time already past is sufficient for you to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles**, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousing, drinking parties and abominable idolatries.”

3A. SANCTIFICATION AND \_\_\_\_\_ . (v. 4-6)

1B. The World and their \_\_\_\_\_ Judgment: (v. 4)

“In all this, **they are surprised that you do not run with them** into the same excesses of dissipation, and **they malign you...**”

2B. The World and their \_\_\_\_\_ Judgment: (v. 5)

“...but **they will give account to Him** who is **ready to judge** the living and the dead.”

3B. The World and their \_\_\_\_\_ Judgment: (v. 6)

“For the gospel has for this purpose been preached even to those who are dead, **that though they are judged in the flesh as men**, they may live in the spirit according to the will of God.”

CONCLUSION: