



STANDING FIRM  
IN A HOSTILE WORLD

# HOPE AS EXILES

1 PETER



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# **Have No Fear Of Them But Honour Christ In Your Hearts** vs.13-15a

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<sup>3</sup> For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. <sup>4</sup> With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you

**1 Peter 4:3-4**

<sup>10</sup> “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven

**Matthew 5:10-12a**

<sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you

**1 Peter 1:4**

<sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

**1 Peter 3:22**



# **Always Be Ready To Make A Defence To Anyone**

-vs. 15b-17

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<sup>5</sup> Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. <sup>6</sup> Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

**Colossians 4:5-6**

“I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.

**John 11:25-26**