

[WEEK SIX]

A PEOPLE WHO EXIST FOR GOD'S GLORY

HOPE AS EXILES

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1 Peter 2:9-12

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¹¹Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹²Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honourable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.



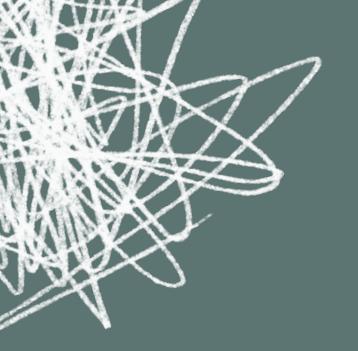




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1 Peter 2:9





The only answer that the Bible ever gives to the class of questions that begin: "why did God . . .?" is: for His own glory.

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1 Peter 2:9b-10





[We] delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment; it is its appointed consummation

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⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

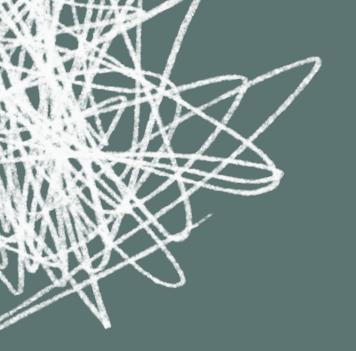
Ephesians 2:4-7





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1 Peter 2:11



Set faith at work on Christ for the killing of your sin. His blood is the great sovereign remedy for sin-sick souls. Live in this, and you will die a conqueror; yes, you will, through the good providence of God, live to see your [sin] dead at your feet

JOHN OWEN

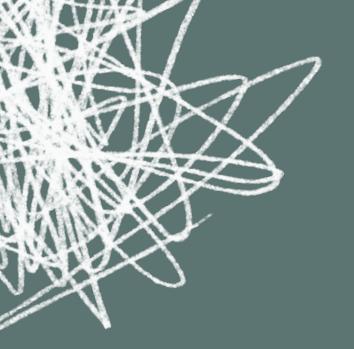
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1 Peter 2:12



"To bring glory to [God] involves first of all a response to Him, and second a reflection of Him to others"

JERRY BRIDGES

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¹⁴ the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 2:14