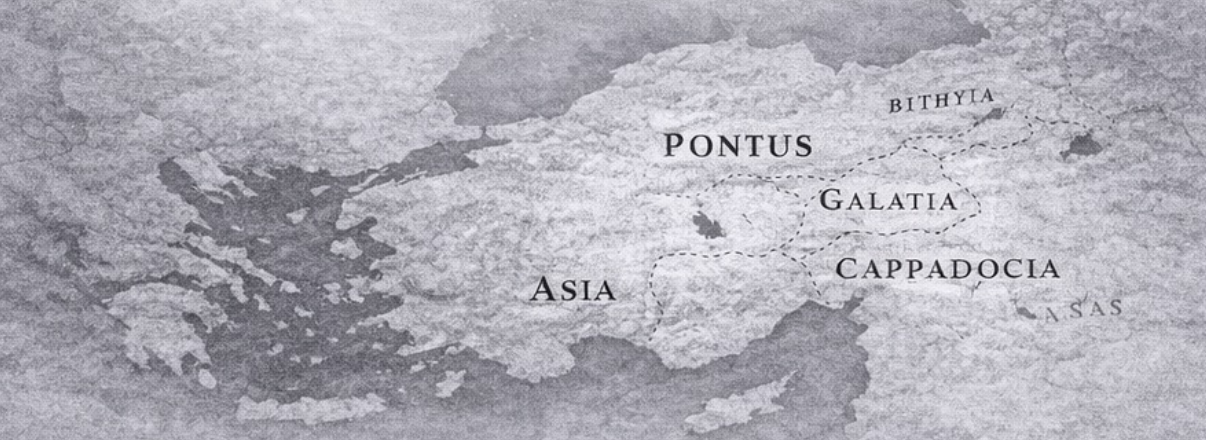


1 PETER

HOPE THAT HOLDS UNDER PRESSURE



PONTUS • GALATIA • CAPPADOCIA • ASIA • BITHYNIA

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Written by the Apostle Peter
Early 60s AD - From Rome ("Babylon")
Sent to scattered believers across Asia Minor

What that means:

- Scattered across regions of Asia Minor
- Living as spiritual exiles - far from home
- Following Jesus while misunderstood and pressured.

SETTING & AUDIENCE

- Facing pressure, marginalization, and suffering
- Socially costly to follow Jesus
- Living in a culture that didn't share their values

KEY VERSE – 1 PETER 1:3 (ESV)

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

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BIG IDEAS

- **Living Hope** — anchored in the resurrection
- **Identity in Christ** — chosen, set apart, sent.
- **Holy Living** — different because you belong to God
- **Faith Under Pressure** — suffering refines faith
- **Exile Faithfulness** — not home, but still on mission

CHRIST CONNECTION

The **Living Stone**
The **Suffering Savior**
and the **Shepherd King**