



THE LETTERS OF 1, 2 PETER

Rising Above Difficulty and
Deception

PART 1: READY

Peter wanted Jesus' followers to be ready for Jesus's return. That meant living their lives in a way that represented Jesus, even during difficult circumstances.

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To be inspired to act as imitators of Jesus in the midst of difficulty

SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 2:2

Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.

1 Peter 1:15-16

Just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

PRE-VIDEO TABLE DISCUSSION [6:30 PM]

REFLECT: First and Second Peter are letters written in the first century to many believers that were beginning to endure persecution.

QUESTION [A]: Have you encountered difficulties directly due to claiming to be a Christian?

- What happened? How did you respond?
- If you haven't encountered resistance in your faith, why would you say that's the case?

QUESTION [B]: How much of 1 Peter and 2 Peter have you read?

- Will this be your first time through these letters?
- How do you feel about beginning this three-week study?

PRAYER | 6:50 PM

Heavenly Father, thank you for inspiring Peter to write these words to Jesus' followers who were going through difficult times and how these words might apply to us today. Amen.

Read through 1 Peter before your next session. In addition, try to memorize these passages:

MEMORIZE

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PRAY | DISMISS [8:00 PM]

We suggest ending your group with prayer, asking God for the strength to set our hope on Jesus's return and to live out our faith with a sense of urgency.