

Covenant Presbyterian Church

2020-2021 Area Bible Studies

1 & 2 Peter

Theme of 1 Peter: 'The Living Stone Is Our Living Hope'

Theme of 2 Peter: 'Grow in Grace and Knowledge'

Lesson	Lesson Title	1 Peter	Sugar Land	Zoom	W Houston
1	Elect Exiles	1:1-2; 5:12-14	31-Aug-20	02-Sep-20	03-Sep-20
2	Our Eternal Inheritance	1:3-12	14-Sep-20	16-Sep-20	17-Sep-20
3	Living in Hope	1:13-21	28-Sep-20	30-Sep-20	01-Oct-20
4	Taste and See	1:22-2:3	12-Oct-20	14-Oct-20	15-Oct-20
5	Living Stones	2:4-10	26-Oct-20	28-Oct-20	29-Oct-20
6	A Beautiful Life	2:11-17	09-Nov-20	11-Nov-20	12-Nov-20
7	The Overseer of Our Souls	2:18-25	16-Nov-20	18-Nov-20	19-Nov-20
8	Wives and Husbands	3:1-7	07-Dec-20	09-Dec-20	10-Dec-20
9	For Good	3:8-17	04-Jan-21	06-Jan-21	07-Jan-21
10	The Apostle's Creed	3:18-22	18-Jan-21	20-Jan-21	21-Jan-21
11	Christian Living	4:1-11	01-Feb-21	03-Feb-21	04-Feb-21
12	Christian Suffering	4:12-19	15-Feb-21	17-Feb-21	18-Feb-21
13	The God of All Grace and Glory	5:1-11	01-Mar-21	03-Mar-21	04-Mar-21
Lesson	Lesson Title	2 Peter	Sugar Land	Zoom	W Houston
14	Peter Squared	1:1-2	15-Mar-21	17-Mar-21	18-Mar-21
15	Confirm Your Calling and Election	1:3-11	29-Mar-21	31-Mar-21	01-Apr-21
16	True Prophecy	1:12-21	12-Apr-21	14-Apr-21	15-Apr-21
17	False Teachers	2:1-10a	26-Apr-21	28-Apr-21	29-Apr-21
18	Brute Beasts	2:10b-22	10-May-21	12-May-21	13-May-21
19	The Day of the LORD	3:1-10	24-May-21	26-May-21	27-May-21
20	Grow in Grace and Knowledge	3:11-18	07-Jun-21	09-Jun-21	10-Jun-21

1 & 2 Peter Notes

Key Verses of 1 Peter

1 Peter 1:3-5, 18-19; 2:4-5, 9-12; 3:18; 4:12-13; 5:6-7: ³Blessed 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, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.... ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.... ⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.... ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 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 honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.... ¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.... ¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.... ⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you (ESV).

Outline of 1 Peter

- I. Salutation (1:1-2)
- II. Living in the Light of God's Salvation (1:3-2:10)
 - A. The Hope of Salvation (1:3-12)
 - B. The Life of Salvation (1:13-2:3)
 - C. The Community of Salvation (2:4-10)
- III. Living as Pilgrims (2:11-4:11)
 - A. Living in the World (2:11-25)
 - B. Living in Marriage (3:1-7)
 - C. Living in Suffering (3:8-22)
 - D. Living in God's Will (4:1-11)
- IV. Living in the Household of God (4:12-5:11)
 - A. Sharing in Christ's Sufferings (4:12-19)
 - B. Shepherding the Flock (5:1-5)
 - C. Submitting to God (5:6-11)
- V. Closing Remarks (5:12-14)

1 & 2 Peter Notes

Key Verses of 2 Peter

2 Peter 1:5-8, 20-21; 2:9-10; 3:9-10, 13, 18: ⁵For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. ⁸For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.... ²⁰knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.... ⁹then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment, ¹⁰and especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion and despise authority.... ⁹The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. ¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.... ¹³But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.... ¹⁸But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen. (ESV).

Outline of 2 Peter

- I. Salutation (1:1-2)
- II. Recall the Gospel (1:3-1:21)
 - A. The Gospel Life (1:3-11)
 - B. The Gospel Authority (1:12-21)
- III. Resist False Teachers (2:1-22)
 - A. Beware of False Teachers (2:1-10a)
 - B. Recognize False Teachers (2:10b-22)
- IV. Remember Your Destiny (3:1-17)
 - A. The Certainty of Christ's Return (3:1-10)
 - B. The Christian Life until Christ's Return (3:11-18a)
- V. Closing Remarks (3:18b)

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