

- 1C. ²³Having been born-again not from perishable seed but imperishable, through *the* living and abiding word of God
- 1D. ²⁴Because “All flesh *is* like grass and all its glory like *a* flower of grass. The grass was dried-up and the flower fell-off. ²⁵But the word of *the* Lord abides forever” [Isa 40:6-8]— and this is the word having been announced-as-good-news to you
- 5B. ^{2:1}Having then laid-aside all badness, and all deceit and hypocrisies and jealousies, and all slanders— ²yearn like newborn babies for the deceitless milk of-the-Word in order that by it you may grow in [your] salvation, ³if you tasted that the Lord *is* good—
- 1C. ⁴Coming to Whom *as the* living Stone having been rejected **by people**— but chosen, precious with God, ⁵you yourselves also as living stones are being built *as a* spiritual house for *a* holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable *to* God through Jesus Christ
- 1D. ⁶Because it is contained in Scripture, “Behold, I am laying *a* Stone in Zion— *a* chosen, precious Cornerstone. And the *one* putting-faith upon Him will never be put-to-shame” [Isa 28:16]
- 2D. ⁷The *precious*-value then *is for* you, the *ones* believing
- 3D. But *for ones* not-believing, “*The* Stone which the *ones* building rejected, this became *the* head of *the* corner” [Ps 118:22] ⁸and “*a* Stone of stumbling and *a* Rock of falling” [Isa 8:14]—
- 1E. Who stumble while disobeying the word, to which indeed they were appointed
- 2C. ⁹And you *are a* chosen family, *a* royal priesthood, *a* holy nation, *a* people for *His* possession, so that you may report the virtues of the *One* having called you out of darkness into His marvelous light—
- 1D. ¹⁰Who once *were* not *a* people, but now *are the* people of God; the *ones* not having received-mercy, but now having received-mercy
- 6B. ¹¹Beloved, I exhort *you* as foreigners and pilgrims to be abstaining *from* fleshly desires which wage-war against the soul, ¹²holding your conduct good among the Gentiles
- 1C. In order that in what they are speaking-against you as evil-doers, they may by observing *your* good works glorify God on *the* day of visitation
- 7B. ¹³Be subject *to* every human institution for the Lord’s sake— whether *to a* king as being superior, ¹⁴or *to* governors as being sent by him for *the* punishment of evil-doers and praise of good-doers
- 1C. ¹⁵Because thus is the will of God, *that* while doing-good *you may* be silencing the ignorance of foolish people
- 8B. ¹⁶As free *ones*, and not having the freedom as *a* covering of evilness, but as slaves of God, ¹⁷honor everyone; be loving the brotherhood, be fearing God, be honoring the king—
- 1C. ¹⁸Servants, being subject *to your* masters with all fear, not only *to* the good and kind *ones*, but also *to* the crooked *ones*
- 1D. ¹⁹For this *finds* favor— if, for the sake of *a* consciousness of God one bears-up while suffering sorrows unjustly
- 1E. ²⁰For what-kind-of credit *is it* if while sinning and being beaten, you will endure?
- 2E. But if while doing-good and suffering you will endure, this *finds* favor with God
- 2D. ²¹For you were called to this
- 1E. Because Christ also suffered for you, leaving-behind *a* pattern *for* you in order that you might follow-after His footsteps—
- 1F. ²²Who “did not commit sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth” [Isa 53:9]
- 2F. ²³Who—
- 1G. While being reviled, was not reviling-in-return
- 2G. While suffering, was not threatening, but was committing *Himself* to the *One* judging righteously
- 3F. ²⁴Who Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross in order that we, having died *to* sins, might live *for* righteousness
- 4F. *By* Whose bruise you were healed
- 2E. ²⁵For you were going-astray like sheep, but now you returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls

2C. ^{3:1}Likewise wives, being subject *to your* own husbands, in order that even if any are disobeying the word, they may be gained without *a* word by the conduct *of their* wives, ²having observed your pure conduct with fear—

1D. ³Of whom, let *what is observed* be

1E. Not the outside adornment *consisting of a braiding of hair and a wearing of gold things or a putting-on of garments*

2E. ⁴But the hidden person *of the heart* in the imperishable *adorning consisting of the gentle and quiet spirit*, which is very-precious in the sight of God

2D. ⁵For in this manner formerly also the holy wives putting-hope in God were adorning themselves— being subject *to their* own husbands

1E. ⁶As Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, *of whom* you became children while doing-good and not fearing any terror

3C. ⁷Husbands likewise, living-with *them* according-to knowledge, showing honor *to the feminine one*

1D. As *to the weaker vessel*

2D. As indeed *to your* fellow-heirs *of the grace of life*

3D. So that your prayers *may* not be hindered

4C. ⁸And finally, everyone— *being* likeminded, sympathetic, brother-loving, tender-hearted, humbleminded, ⁹not giving-back evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, blessing *them*

1D. Because you were called to this, in order that you might inherit *a* blessing. ¹⁰For “the *one* desiring to love life and see good days—

1E. “Let him stop *his* tongue from evil and *his* lips *that they* not speak deceit

2E. ¹¹“And let him turn-away from evil and do good

3E. “Let him seek peace and pursue it

4E. ¹²“Because *the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous*, and His ears *are open* to their prayer. But *the face of the Lord is against ones* doing evil *things*” [Ps 34:12-16]

3A. ¹³And who *is the one who* will do you evil if you become zealots *for* good? ¹⁴But even though you might be suffering for the sake of righteousness, *you are blessed ones!*

1B. But do not fear their fear, nor be disturbed, ¹⁵but set Christ apart *as* Lord in your hearts

1C. *Being* ready always for *a* defense *to* everyone asking you *a* reason for the hope in you, ¹⁶but with gentleness and fear

2C. Having *a* good conscience in order that in what you are spoken-against, the *ones* maligning your good conduct in Christ may be put-to-shame

1D. ¹⁷For *it is* better to be suffering while doing-good, if the will *of* God should [so] will *it*, than while doing-evil

2B. ¹⁸Because Christ also suffered once-for-all for sins— *a* righteous *One* for unrighteous *ones*— in order that He might bring you to God

1C. Having been **put-to-death** *in the flesh*— but made-alive *by the Spirit*

1D. ¹⁹By Whom also having gone, He proclaimed *to the spirits* in prison—²⁰*ones* having disobeyed formerly when the patience *of* God was waiting in *the days of* Noah while *an ark was* being prepared

1E. In which *a* few (that is, eight souls) were brought-safely through *the water*

2E. ²¹Which also *as to* you *a* corresponding-*thing* now saves— baptism

1F. Not *a* putting-off *of dirt from the flesh*

2F. But *an* appeal to God *for a* good conscience

3F. Through *the* resurrection *of* Jesus Christ—²²Who is at *the right hand of* God

1G. Having gone into heaven

2G. Angels and authorities and powers having been subjected *to* Him

3B. ^{4:1}Therefore, Christ having suffered *in the flesh*, **you** also arm-*yourselves with* the same intention

- 1C. Because the *one* having suffered *in the flesh* has ceased *from sin*,² so as to live the remaining time in *the flesh* no longer *for the desires of humans*, but *for the will of God*
- 2C. ³For the time having passed *is enough for you* to have worked-out the will *of the Gentiles*, having walked in sensualities, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking-parties and unlawful idolatries
- 1D. ⁴In connection with which they are thinking-*it-strange that you are* not running-with *them* into the same excess of wild-living, while *they continue* blaspheming—
- 1E. ⁵Who shall render *an account to the One* being ready to judge *the living and the dead*
- 3C. ⁶For to this *end* it was announced-as-good-news even *to the dead*—
- 1D. That they might **be judged** according-to people *in the flesh*— but be living according to God *in the spirit*
- 4C. ⁷And the end *of all things* has drawn-near
- 4B. Therefore be sound-minded and be sober in *your* prayers
- 1C. ⁸Above all, having fervent love for each other— because love covers *a multitude of sins*
- 2C. ⁹Being hospitable to one another without grumbling
- 3C. ¹⁰As each received *a grace-gift*, ministering it to each other as good stewards *of the diversified grace of God*—
- 1D. ¹¹If anyone speaks, as *speaking* oracles of God
- 2D. If anyone serves, as *serving* by strength which God supplies
- 4C. In order that God may be glorified in all *things* through Jesus Christ
- 1D. *To Whom* is the glory and the dominion forever and ever, amen
- 5B. ¹²Beloved, do not be thinking-strange the fiery *suffering* among you coming *upon you* for *a trial*, as-*though a strange thing were* happening *to you*
- 1C. ¹³But be rejoicing to-the-degree you are sharing *in the sufferings of Christ*, in order that you may also rejoice while being overjoyed at the revelation *of His glory!*
- 1D. ¹⁴If you are being reproached in *the name of Christ*, *you are blessed ones*— because the Spirit *of glory and of God* is resting upon you
- 1E. ¹⁵For let none *of you* be suffering as *a murderer or thief or evil-doer, or as a meddler*
- 2E. ¹⁶But if *one suffers* as *a Christian*, let him not be ashamed, but let him be glorifying God in this name
- 2C. ¹⁷Because *it is time that* the judgment begin from the household *of God*. But if *it begins* first from us, what *will be* the outcome *of the ones* disobeying the good-news *of God?*
- 1D. ¹⁸“And if the righteous *one* is saved with-difficulty, where will the ungodly and sinner appear?” [Prov 11:31]
- 6B. ¹⁹So then, let indeed the *ones* suffering according to the will *of God* be entrusting their souls in good-doing *to a faithful Creator*
- 1C. ^{5:1}Therefore I exhort the elders among you, *I the fellow-elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ*, the sharer also *of the glory* going-to be revealed: ²Shepherd the flock *of God* among you, exercising-oversight
- 1D. Not by-compulsion, but willingly, according to God
- 2D. Nor greedily, but eagerly
- 3D. ³Nor as lording-over *your* lots, but being patterns *for the flock*
- 4D. ⁴And the Chief-shepherd having appeared, you will receive the unfading crown *of glory*
- 2C. ⁵Likewise, younger *men*— be subject *to the elders*
- 3C. And everyone—
- 1D. Clothe-*yourselves*-with humble-mindedness *toward* one another
- 1E. Because “God opposes *the proud*, but He gives grace *to the humble*” [Prov 3:34]
- 2E. ⁶Therefore humble *yourselves* under the mighty hand *of God* in order that He may exalt you at *the proper-time*
- 1F. ⁷Having cast all your anxiety upon Him, because He is concerned about you

2D. ⁸Be sober, keep-watch. Your adversary *the* devil is walking-around like *a* roaring lion, seeking someone to devour

1E. ⁹Whom resist, firm *in* the faith, knowing *that* the same *kinds of* sufferings *are* being accomplished *by* your brotherhood *in* the world

4C. ¹⁰And the God *of* all grace, the *One* having called you into His eternal glory in Christ Jesus— *you* having suffered *a* little— will Himself restore, support, strengthen, establish *you*. ¹¹*To* Him *be* the dominion forever, amen

A. ¹²I wrote *to* you

1. Through Silvanus, the faithful brother, as I count *him*
2. With *a few words*
3. Exhorting and bearing-witness *that* this is *the* true grace *of* God— in which, stand [firm]

B. ¹³*She* in Babylon chosen-with *you* greets you. Also Mark, my son

C. ¹⁴Greet one another with *a kiss of* love

D. Peace *to* you, *to* all the *ones* in Christ