

Sermon Notes – October 16, 2016

Review & Remember

- ⇒ We are exiles in a foreign land – this world is not our home!
- ⇒ Because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have a living hope, an inheritance that will never perish, fade, or perish.
- ⇒ The prophets of the Old Testament and the angels longed to look into this great salvation that we are currently experiencing!

Today's Text: Read I Peter 1:13-16

Today's text tells us how we, as exiles in a foreign land, must live. We must be holy, set apart, different. We must live as c_____ of H_____ – our future home and residence.

Get ready for action – this isn't going to be easy!

- ⇒ Peter tells us to “gird up the loins of our minds.” It is time to do some c_____ and s_____ thinking!
- ⇒ In order to be prepared for the task at hand, we must be self-controlled and sober, keeping our act together.

Set your hope on Jesus Christ

- ⇒ Our hope is not based in w_____ t_____, but upon on Jesus whom God raised from the dead and whose return is certain. This hope connects us to what God has done in the past, gives us s_____ for today, and c_____ for the future.
- ⇒ When we ground ourselves in the person and work of Jesus Christ, we can endure s_____ and t_____ because we know the p_____ and c_____ of the God who promises to deliver us.

I Peter 1:13-16
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Live for Tomorrow, Not Just for Today

Do not be conformed – be holy!

- ⇒ We are children of God, not children of this a_____. As aliens, we must avoid a_____ and c_____!
- ⇒ We have been saved from our ignorant former ways – now we should know better!
- ⇒ We are a_____ and r_____ of a better kingdom!

Apologetic Focus

- ⇒ Despite what you may have heard to the contrary, Christianity has made a tremendous p_____ i_____ on the world around us.
- ⇒ The strongest apologetic argument you can make is h_____ l_____.
- ⇒ When a church conforms to the world in order to become r_____, they will quickly become i_____.

Responding to God's Word

- ⇒ How are you conforming to the world around you? At work? In your neighborhood? In your school? In your family?
- ⇒ What does holiness look like as a church? What does it mean for us to live as exiles in a foreign land?
- ⇒ When we find that we are conforming to the world around us, we need to reevaluate our hopes and loves and remember the gospel.