

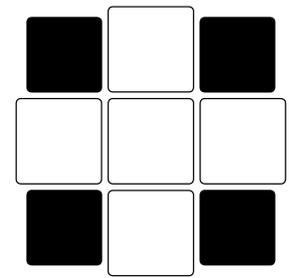
Gospel Godliness

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:13-21

Series: Standing in Grace

Sunday, September 7, 2014

Corroborating Texts: 1 John 3:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 5:6-7; Romans 12:1-2;
Hebrews 12:14



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Overview

A changed life grows out of the gospel when it is received by faith. In this gospel we have a future hope, real godliness, and fear of God.

Discussion Questions

1. We lean towards either **pride** or weakness (**self-loathing**) in regards to our attitude towards sin, performance, and worth. Which side of the spectrum do you fall? Does this change throughout your life? What are the things that affect this attitude?
2. People love talking about eschatology (i.e. end-times). What have been the benefits and weaknesses of this throughout church history? What about the end times should be most significant?
3. Do we truly yearn for the return of Christ? Why or why not?
4. See verse 13. What are ways that you prepare your mind for action? What does Peter mean by sober-minded? [Serious] How do you keep yourself sober-minded? [disciplined, careful, not regimented but ruled by the Word of God.]
5. What are the things that prevent our readiness and our seriousness? How are those obstacles overcome?
6. Look at verses 14-16. What does it *not* mean to be holy? [knowledge, great profession, zeal, respectability, enjoying worship, good company] What *is* holiness? [consecration to God in heart, mind, action]
7. How do we become holy? [God makes us holy. It's what he has for us.] How do we handle indwelling sin?
8. What does it mean to be holistically holy? What does that look like?
9. What's the difference between holiness that is separated from the world and holiness that stands opposed to the world? Why is this significant?
10. Look at verses 17-21. Why do people fear the Lord? Why should we fear Him? [He is our father] How is this different than other assumptions about fearing God?