



FIRST PETER
30-DAY READING PLAN

WEEK 1

DAY 1

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 1:1-2

REFLECT: How do I remind myself that this current world isn't my eternal home?

APPLY: Peter mentions we are called to obey Jesus Christ. Where do I see obedience in my life? Where do I need to see more obedience?

PRAY: Ask God to reveal anything in your heart that may hinder you from growing closer to Him during the next 6 weeks. Also, ask Him to give you the boldness to be open with your Forged/ Refined partners.

DAY 2

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 1:3-5

REFLECT: Where and when have I seen God's mercy in my life?

APPLY: How can I show God's mercy to somebody else this week?

PRAY: Take time to thank God for His mercy in your life. Be specific. Pray over a specific opportunity you have to show mercy this week.

DAY 3

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 1:6-9

REFLECT: How can trials strengthen my faith?

APPLY: Do I think I am in a season of strengthening right now? Why or why not?

PRAY: Ask God to work on strengthening your faith during a current trial or circumstance. Pray over somebody else that you know is struggling right now.

DAY 4

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 1:10-16

REFLECT: Obedience and a proper awe of God go hand-in-hand. When has obedience in my life led to a moment of awe with God?

APPLY: Is there an area of my life in which obedience has been a struggle? How can I better obey God?

PRAY: If you are struggling with obedience in any area, take time to surrender that struggle to God. Ask Him to bring you to a point of awe and wonder with Him.

DAY 5

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 1:17-21

REFLECT: To fear God is to have a holy reverence (a high view) of Him. Do I see myself having a high view of God? Do I need to fear God better?

APPLY: Faith and hope in God are tied to a high view of God. What can I do this week to increase my view of God through obedience?

PRAY: Like yesterday, ask God to continue to reveal disobedience in your heart and ask Him to take control of that area of your life. Take time to thank Him simply for who He is.

WEEK 2

DAY 6

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 1:22-25

REFLECT: Christian community thrives because of love. Where have I experienced love in Christian community? Where have I shown love in Christian community?

APPLY: Where do I plan to experience Christian community this week? (This should include time with your accountability partner or group!)

PRAY: Thank God for Christian community in your life. Ask Him to help make it a priority in your life and ask Him for more opportunities to connect with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

DAY 7

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

RE-READ: 1 Peter 1 (entire chapter)

REFLECT: What growth have I seen after reading Chapter 1? Where have I been encouraged? Where have I been convicted?

APPLY: How do I hope to continue to grow moving forward?

PRAY: Thank God for the opportunity to study His word so far. Continue to confess any areas of disobedience in your life. Ask Him for the strength to share these areas with your partner or group.

DAY 8

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 2:1-3

REFLECT: In which environments do I struggle with the qualities Peter talks about? (malice spite, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, slander)

APPLY: We need to replace sinful habits with pure spiritual habits. What habits can I work on to replace bad habits?

PRAY: Ask God to reveal any environments that bring out your worst qualities. Ask Him to reveal any bad habits that need to be corrected. Repent of these things and ask God to help you to move forward.

DAY 9

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READ: 1 Peter 2:4-6

REFLECT: Do I need to see God's healing in any disappointments in my life?

APPLY: On the days I am discouraged, how can I come back to the truth that my faith in Christ ultimately won't leave me empty?

PRAY: As we reflect on discouragement today, ask God to bring you comfort and healing. Take time to pray for somebody else who is dealing with discouragement right now.

DAY 10

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 2:7-10

REFLECT: Verse 9 talks about our identity in Christ. When was the last time my identity in Christ helped me in a situation? (work, family, friendships, etc.)

APPLY: Who can I encourage this week by reminding them of their identity in Christ? (spouse, child, friend, etc.)

PRAY: Take time to thank God for your identity in Christ. Ask Him for the courage to share your faith this week as you "proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

WEEK 3

DAY 11

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 2:11-12

REFLECT: Is there anything in my life that could compromise my moral purity? (inappropriate relationships, sinful thoughts, use of electronics, etc.)

APPLY: In what ways do I actively guard my moral purity?

PRAY: Ask God to reveal any potential situations that could compromise your moral purity. Ask Him to protect you from those situations and to help you plan wisely to avoid those situations.

DAY 12

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 2:13-17

REFLECT: Are there any authorities in my life to which I struggle to submit? Are there any people under my authority? (Kids, employees, volunteers, etc.)

APPLY: How can I better submit to those in authority over me? How can I make it easier for those under my authority to respect me?

PRAY: Take time to pray for somebody in authority whom you struggle to respect. Pray for his/her spiritual well-being and that they would come to Christ if they don't already know Him. Ask God for wisdom in working with anyone who falls under your authority.

DAY 13

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 2:18-20

REFLECT: How has God used both negative and positive experiences to shape me in life?

APPLY: Is there a current situation in my life in which patience is needed? How can I better reflect Jesus in this situation?

PRAY: Take time to thank God for experiences that have shaped you and brought you closer to Him. Ask Him to reveal any situations that require more patience in your life and ask for the strength to endure those situations.

DAY 14

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 2:21-25

REFLECT: When was a time I was straying from God? What led me back to Him?

APPLY: Before God calls us to suffering, He reminds us of Christ's suffering on our behalf. When I go through difficult times, how can the suffering of Christ bring me encouragement?

PRAY: As you reflect on a time that God brought you back to Himself, thank God for His patience and love in your life. Ask Him for an opportunity to share that same patience and love with somebody who needs it.

DAY 15

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

RE-READ: 1 Peter 2 (entire chapter)

REFLECT: What growth have I seen after reading Chapter 2? Where have I been encouraged? Where have I been convicted?

APPLY: How do I hope to continue to grow moving forward?

PRAY: Thank God for the opportunity to study His word so far. Continue to confess any areas of disobedience in your life. Ask Him for the strength to share these areas with your partner or group.

WEEK 4

DAY 16

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 3:1-7

REFLECT: We live in a society that often reflects on outward beauty. How can I remind myself that my heart is the defining characteristic of who I am?

APPLY: (if married) How can I show my spouse that he/she valued this week? (if not married) Who can I remind that they are valued this week?

PRAY: Take time to thank God that our hearts, not our outward appearance, are of most importance. Ask Him to remind you of that truth as you interact with others.

DAY 17

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 3:8-12

REFLECT: Is there a current situation in which I am being forced to keep my temper in check?

APPLY: Write out verses 10-12 and keep them somewhere you will see them regularly.

PRAY: If a situation that makes you angry came to mind, ask God for patience and renewed ability to keep your temper in check. Be honest with God and with yourself.

DAY 18

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 3:13-17

REFLECT: If somebody were to ask why I am a Christian, what is the hope I would respond with?

APPLY: What opportunities do I have to share my hope in Christ this week?

PRAY: Thank God for the hope that we have in Jesus. Ask Him for an opportunity to share the reason for that hope that is in you this week.

DAY 19

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READ: 1 Peter 3:18-22

REFLECT: Where has God's patience been displayed in my life? Consider a specific instance.

APPLY: Who in my life is needing my patience right now?

PRAY: Thank God for His enduring patience in your life. As you consider who needs your patience right now, ask God for His light to shine through you in that situation.

DAY 20

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

RE-READ: 1 Peter 3 (entire chapter)

REFLECT: What growth have I seen after reading Chapter 3? Where have I been encouraged? Where have I been convicted?

APPLY: How do I hope to continue to grow moving forward?

PRAY: Thank God for the opportunity to study His word so far. Continue to confess any areas of disobedience in your life. Ask Him for the strength to share these areas with your partner or group.

WEEK 5

DAY 21

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 4:1-6

REFLECT: What noticeable changes has the gospel done in my life? Where am I striving to see more gospel-centered change in my life?

APPLY: How can I practically remind myself of the gospel this week?

PRAY: Ask God to work more gospel-centered change into your life. Ask Him to reveal anything that might prevent that from happening and ask Him for the desire to remove those things from your life.

DAY 22

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 4:7-9

REFLECT: When was a time where somebody's hospitality has made a positive impact?

APPLY: What opportunities for hospitality do I have for this week?

PRAY: Ask God for an opportunity to show hospitality to somebody who may not deserve it this week. Ask Him to remind you to do so without grumbling.

DAY 23

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 4:10-11

REFLECT: What gifting has God given me to advance His plans in the world?

APPLY: Where will I use God's gifting this week?

PRAY: Take time to thank God for spiritual gifts He has given you. Ask Him to reveal service opportunities and to compel you to take those opportunities

DAY 24

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 4:12-19

REFLECT: Suffering is meant to make our faith stronger. Do I currently see that in my own life?

APPLY: How have I seen God use suffering in my life in the past? How can I use that story to encourage somebody else?

PRAY: If you are in a time of suffering right now, take time to vent your frustrations to God. Be honest with Him, He can handle it. If you are not in a time of suffering, pray over somebody you know that is suffering right now.

DAY 25

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

RE-READ: 1 Peter 4 (entire chapter)

REFLECT: What growth have I seen after reading Chapter 4? Where have I been encouraged? Where have I been convicted?

APPLY: How do I hope to continue to grow moving forward?

PRAY: Thank God for the opportunity to study His word so far. Continue to confess any areas of disobedience in your life. Ask Him for the strength to share these areas with your partner or group.

WEEK 6

DAY 26

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 5:1-5

REFLECT: This passage refers to the elders whom God has called to lead the church. Where has God called me to be a leader? Am I embracing it or running from it?

APPLY: How can God use me to display leadership in a current situation? Who do I know that could use my leadership?

PRAY: Take time to pray for the elders at your church. If you know them personally, pray for them by name. Also, take time to ask God where He might be calling you to lead or serve.

DAY 27

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 5:6-7

REFLECT: How does it reassure me to know that God genuinely wants to hear about my problems?

APPLY: Humility is a correct assessment of who we are. Who in my life can give a correct assessment of who I am? (spouse, parent, friends, etc.)

PRAY: Ask God to work on your humility. Ask Him to put somebody in your life who can give you an honest assessment of who you are. If you already have somebody, pray for that person and thank God for their influence.

DAY 28

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 5:8-11

REFLECT: When was the last victory I had over temptation? How did that make me feel?

APPLY: Temptation exists everywhere. How am I resisting the devil at this time in my life? How can I do better?

PRAY: As you reflect on the last time you had victory over temptation, ask God to help you hold onto that memory this week. Ask Him to use that memory to help you continue to avoid temptation. If you are struggling with a specific temptation, ask Him to give you the confidence to share this with somebody close.

DAY 29

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

READ: 1 Peter 5:12-14

REFLECT: Paul reminds us to stand firm in the true grace of God. How does it help me knowing that God is carrying me through life?

APPLY: Paul ends his letter by reminding his readers to stay in Christ. As we wrap up, how do I plan to continue my walk in Christ?

PRAY: Thank God for His grace and Christ's work on the cross. Ask Him to make His grace evident in your life both to yourself and to those around you.

DAY 30

PRAY: Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

RE-READ: 1 Peter 5 (entire chapter)

REFLECT: What growth have I seen after reading Chapter 5? Where have I been encouraged? Where have I been convicted?

APPLY: How do I hope to continue to grow moving forward?

PRAY: Thank God for the opportunity to study 1 Peter the past 6 weeks. Ask Him to continue to reveal weak areas in your life. Talk with God about how you plan to continue to grow after Forged & Refined ends.