Living Hope...In Times of Trouble

Hope that Focuses on Being Different ~1 Peter 1:13-2:3~

I. We Are Different When We Hunger for Holiness vs. 13-16

- A. Be Smart vs. 13a
- B. Be Sober vs. 13b
- C. Be Sure vs. 13c
- D. Be Spiritual vs.14-16
- E. Be <u>Saintly</u> vs. 14-16 Two things happen when we live like Jesus:
 - 1. Family Resemblance vs. 14a
 - 2. Firm Refusal I Peter vs. 14b "

II. We Are Different When We Are Secure in Our Future vs. 17-21

- A. We are <u>rescued/ransomed</u> from the temporal. vs. 17-18
- B. We are <u>redeemed</u> to the eternal. vs. 19-21

III. We Are Different When We Are Growing Spiritually vs.1:22-2:3

- A. Peter mentions five marks of immaturity.
 - 1. Malice
 - 2. Guile or Deceit
 - 3. Hypocrisies
 - 4. Envies
 - 5. Evil Speaking
- B. Peter gives some positives.
 - 1. The Bible is Permanent.
 - 2. The Bible Purifies the one who reads and obeys it.
 - 3. The Bible Produces Spiritual Life and Growth.

"Tell someone about Jesus every day. If necessary, use words." Who do people see when they see you?