

## “Dual Citizenship” 19 January 2025

### Part 2 - Our Call To Salvation Out Of The World

#### 1 Peter 1:1-12

1. If you knew you were about to enter a difficult set of circumstances that would test your faith, how would you prepare yourself?
2. Read 1 Peter 1:1-12. Study Peter's description of the people who were about to receive his letter (1 Peter 1:1-2). How does his description of them help explain why they were "strangers in the world"?
3. How does the introduction to Peter's letter help you appreciate the three persons of God?
4. Peter says that God has given his people "new birth." What all does he say grows out of that new birth (1 Peter 1:3-5)?
5. Peter says in 1 Peter 1:6, "Now for a little while you may have to suffer grief in all kinds of trials." If you were to hear that kind of message, what information in this paragraph might help you through the suffering (1 Peter 1:3-9)?
6. How does the future, as Peter describes it here, offer you hope in your own setting?
7. What did Peter believe to be true of genuine faith (1 Peter 1:7-9)?
8. Peter complimented his readers because they believed in Jesus and loved him—even though they had not seen him (1 Peter 1:8). What questions do you think

people today have to cope with because they have not personally seen Jesus?

9. When have you seen Jesus (through a person or event) in a way that increased your faith?
10. By what different routes did news of salvation come to the readers of Peter's letter (1 Peter 1:10-12)?
11. In what ways are Christians special - even when compared to Old Testament prophets and angels?
12. Peter refers to new birth, or salvation, throughout this passage as a central difference between Christians and the world. What tensions have you experienced because of this difference?
13. How does God's gift of salvation help you cope with these tensions?