



I Peter 1:17-21

SALVATION DEMANDS REVERENCE

Live your life in the fear of God: *pass the time of your sojourning here in fear*

1. Because of the authority of God.

A. He is your Father.

If you have entered into covenant with Him, you must live conscientiously.

And if ye call on the Father

B. He is the Judge.

i. He judges our work. *who... judgeth according to every man's work*

ii. He judges all people. *every man's work*

iii. He judges impartially. *without respect of persons*

2. Because of the emptiness of this life.

A. You have been redeemed from this life.

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were...redeemed

B. You were not purchased with temporal commodities.

ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold

C. You were redeemed from an empty life. *from your vain conversation*

D. You were saved from powerless traditions. *received by tradition from your fathers*

E. You are only here temporarily. *the time of your sojourning here (vs 17)*

3. Because of the value of your redemption.

A. Your redemption is purchased with Christ's blood.

But with the precious blood of Christ.

B. Your Redeemer is God's perfect Lamb. *as of a lamb without blemish and without spot*

C. Your redemption was planned before Creation.

Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world

D. Your Redeemer was revealed at the perfect time in history.

but was manifest in these last times for you

E. Your redemption was prepared for the believer. *for you, who by him do believe in God*

F. Your Redeemer conquered death. *that raised him up from the dead*

G. Your Redeemer is glorified before the world. *and gave him glory*

H. Your redemption enables you to trust God. *that your faith and hope might be in God*

The closest walk with God is the sweetest heaven that can be enjoyed on earth.