



Sermon Notes—PM  
*Peter's Epistle to Pilgrims*  
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1 Peter 1:1  
Studies in 1 Peter #1

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*Tonight we want to switch gears from our recent series on the doctrines of grace (which we will resume in the near future) to 1 Peter. This letter was written to a pilgrim people who knew what it was like to be persecuted for their faith. Do you? With our culture in its current state of outward enmity towards God, his Word, and his people, Peter's letter are an encouragement on what it means to be a pilgrim people.*

## **Our Identity Before the World**

## **Our Identity Before the Lord**

# 1 Peter: Some Facts

Slightly Adapted from the *ESV Literary Study Bible*

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## Themes:

1. *Jesus Christ*: the name of Christ appears 21 times in the book.
2. *New Life in Christ*: Peter is rapturous about the ways in which believers in Christ possess the privileges of being in Christ.
3. *Ethics of Kingdom Living*: the book is filled with the duties of the Christian life.
4. *Suffering*: the book predicts suffering as the lot of Christians and accompanies that premise with directives regarding how to live with suffering, along with a reminder that Christ himself is the supreme example of suffering.

## 1 Peter Within the Storyline of the Bible:

The story of redemption in the Bible finds its culmination in the death and resurrection of Jesus. 1 Peter takes up the subject of how Christians should live in the world on the basis of their new life in Christ. Christ is offered as the example of the pattern of suffering leading to glory—the cross before the crown.

## Geography of 1 Peter (1:1)

