

CHOOSING TO BE DIFFERENT

Dawn Is Coming – Part 3

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WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO?

You need to choose to be different by...

- **Preparing yourself for a different life.**

1 Peter 1:13 (NIV) *“Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at His coming.”*

1 Peter 1:13 (NCV) *“So prepare your minds for service and have self-control. All your hope should be for the gift of grace that will be yours when Jesus Christ is shown to you.”*

1 Peter 1:13 (NKJV) *“Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”*

We need to be strong in our minds.

We need to be self-controlled.

- **Being HOLY in ALL you do.**

1 Peter 1:14-16 (NIV) *“As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. ¹⁵ But just as He who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; ¹⁶ for it is written: ‘Be holy, because I am holy.’”*

Leviticus 19:2 (NIV) *“Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: ‘Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy.’”*

God leaves no excuse for you to be ignorant of His commands and His will and ways.

Holy means to be set apart.

Holy means to be different.

**Opportunity may only knock once
but temptation leans on the doorbell.**

- **Living here as foreigners.**

1 Peter 1:17 (NIV) *“Since you call on a Father who judges each person’s work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.”*

Acts 1:11 (NIV) *“‘Men of Galilee,’ they said, ‘why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven.’”*

John 14:2-3 (NIV) *“My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am.”*

1 Peter 1:1 (NIV) *“Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To God’s elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia.*

WHY DO YOU NEED TO DO THIS?

You need to do live differently...

- **Because God paid a price for you!**

1 Peter 1:18-21 (NIV) *“For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.*

²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹ Through Him you believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and glorified Him, and so your faith and hope are in God.”

HOW DO YOU LIVE DIFFERENTLY?

Understand that to live differently will take discipline.

- **Discipline with your love.**

1 Peter 1:22 (NIV) *“Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.”*

John 13:35 (NIV) *“By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another.”*

- **Discipline with your mouth.**

1 Peter 2:1 (NIV) *“Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.”*

Matthew 15:18 (NIV) *“But the things that come out of a person’s mouth come from the heart, and these defile them.”*

- **Discipline with your desire for God’s Word.**

1 Peter 2:2-3 (NIV) *“Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.”*

You live by a different set of values because dawn is coming.