

Designed to be Different
I Peter 1:13-21

I Peter was written to believers in distress.

God is more interested in your character than your comfort

It was written to give encouragement. It was a call to be different.

“Hagios” – different, as in dedicated to God

Three main expressions as to how Christians live in the world:

- 1. Separatists – monastic movement*
- 2. Compartmentalize – God and the world coincide in our lives but do not intersect*
- 3. Salt and light – transformed lives so that Christ is seen in us*

The Mantle of Holiness

- *It is our privilege*
 - *Prophets did not get to see it*
 - *Angels cannot experience it*
- *It is our position in Christ*

The Manner of Holiness

- *Gird your minds for action*
 - *Filter – “take every thought captive” II Corinthians 10:5*
 - *Fill your mind with godly thoughts Philippians 4:8*
- *Steady in spirit – self control*
- *Sure of hope*
- *Obedient in behavior*
 - *God calls us to be holy while we want to be happy*

The Means of Holiness

- *Redemption by the blood of Christ*
- *Relationship with the Father by the power of His resurrection*