

1st PETER: the Details

• WHO WROTE IT?

The Apostle Peter

WHEN?

Early 60s A.D. (64 A.D.)

TO WHOM?

Dispersed Messianic Jews, in modern-day Turkey

FROM WHERE?Babylon

WHY?

To encourage and strengthen suffering believers

HOW?

Emphasizing hope, glory, and Jesus' example; reliance upon grace





1 Pet. 2:20 (ESV)

"For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God."

Romans 9:11–13 (ESV)

"though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of Him who calls— (12)she was told, 'The older will serve the younger.' (13) As it is written, 'Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.'"

John Calvin

"How it was ordained by the foreknowledge and decree of God what man's future was without God being implicated as associate in the fault as the author or approver of transgression, is clearly a secret so much excelling the insight of the human mind, that I am not ashamed to confess ignorance... I daily so meditate on these mysteries of his judgments that curiosity to know anything more does not attract me."

Jesus explains ELECTION in Matthew 22

God's unconditional election (3)

- 1. God chose **Israel**
- 2. God chose **servants** (prophets/messengers/apostles)
- 3. God chose to invite all people

God's conditional election (1)

4. God choses **individuals** who accept the invitation (Those who **believe** in Jesus)

Deut. 7:7 (ESV)

"It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set His love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples..."

Rom. 1:16 (ESV)

"I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile."

1 Cor. 15:22 (ESV)

"For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive."

1 Pet. 2:20-21 (ESV)

"For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. (21)For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps."

John 16:33 (NIV)

"I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."