

PETER, AN APOSTLE OF JESUS CHRIST, TO THOSE WHO ARE ELECT EXILES OF THE DISPERSION IN PONTUS, GALATIA, CAPPADOCIA, ASIA, AND BITHYNIA, ACCORDING TO THE FOREKNOWLEDGE OF GOD THE FATHER, IN THE SANCTIFICATION OF THE SPIRIT, FOR OBEDIENCE TO JESUS CHRIST AND FOR SPRINKLING WITH HIS BLOOD: MAY GRACE AND PEACE BE MULTIPLIED TO YOU.

**1 PETER 1:1-2**



# FIRST PETER



LIFE IN EXILE



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# **DISTINCTIVE INFLUENTIAL PRESENCE**





FOR PETER THE CHURCH IS NOT CALLED TO OVERTHROW THE CULTURE AND ITS NORMS BUT INSTEAD TO SUBVERT THEM. THE CHURCH FUNCTIONS AS A WITNESS BY LIVES THAT REFLECT INTEGRITY AND RIGHTEOUSNESS, SO THAT EVEN IF IT DRAWS DERISION FROM SOME, EVENTUALLY THE PEOPLE'S LIVES WILL HAVE AN EFFECT THAT BRINGS EVEN THEIR CRITICS TO SEE GOD

**LEE BEACH**





THROUGH THEIR ACTIONS. THIS IS A WORK OF  
SUBVERSION THAT DOES NOT SEEK TO CONQUER  
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BUT SEEK THE WELFARE OF THE CITY **WHERE I  
HAVE SENT YOU INTO EXILE**, AND PRAY TO THE  
LORD ON ITS BEHALF, FOR IN ITS WELFARE YOU  
WILL FIND YOUR WELFARE.

**JEREMIAH 29:7**





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