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1 Peter 1:17–21 | Good Fear: How Good Fear Produces Great Faith

1. Live \_\_\_\_\_ (17)

2. Honor \_\_\_\_\_ (18-19)

3. Persevere \_\_\_\_\_ (20-21)

## Scripture Memory

*Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. –1 Peter 1:13*

## Application Questions

*Community Groups meet throughout the week and play a crucial role in our response to the preaching of the word. These groups gather to discuss the following questions as we seek to apply the sermon in community with one another. Please visit [compassntx.org](http://compassntx.org) to join a small group near you.*

1. Read **1 Peter 1:17**, **2 Corinthians 5:10**, and **Romans 14:10-12**. What feelings or emotions do you have as a Christian when you consider the Bema seat judgment, and how should contemplating this future judgment impact your life today?
2. Read **1 Peter 1:19**. Why does Peter emphasize the blood of Christ as the means of our redemption instead of the resurrection, which he gave so much attention to in the first part of the letter (1:3)?
3. Read **1 Peter 1:18-19** and **Acts 2:36**. What does it mean that Jesus Christ is Lord of your life, and how does that connect to what Peter has written about here in verses 18 and 19?
4. Read **1 Peter 1:20-21**, **Romans 8:18**, and **2 Corinthians 4:16-17**. How do passages like these remind us that living in the fear of the Lord is worth it even when it costs us? How do these thoughts specifically encourage you in the trials or anxieties you may be facing today?
5. Memory Verse: **1 Peter 1:13**. Check in with your group to see how people are progressing. Challenge the group to have the verse completely memorized by your next meeting.

## Recommended Reading

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- *What Does it Mean to Fear the Lord* - Michael Reeves
- *The Fear of God* - John Bunyan (Puritan Paperbacks)
- *The Knowledge of the Holy* - A.W. Tozer
- *Fifty Reasons Why Jesus Came to Die* - John Piper