

## Summary Notes

### 1 Peter 1:13-2:3

v13.

- The *'Therefore'* makes us look back to v1-12. In light of who God's people are, and their amazing certain future, a major shift in mindset is required. Peter is calling us to put our brains in gear; be ready and prepared for life now in the world, while we wait for our glorious future. And as we'll see, we'll need to be ready for action and self-controlled, because we're called to live a holy life.

v14-16

- There is a contrast for us: Don't live like this anymore (v14), *'but...'* live like this (v15-16). The standard is High - Be holy! This is a big challenge to the comfortable Christian. How is your holiness? As *'exiles'* or *'strangers'* facing a hard time from the watching world for being Christian, you can imagine the temptation to i) fear the world and ii) to want to blend in and not stand out so much. In the rest of the verses there are reasons why we should stand fast with hope set on the future, fear God not the world, and be holy rather than blend in:

v17-22

- We will face God in judgment! We have been ransomed, *'not with perishable things... but...'* Jesus precious blood was shed to guarantee our certain hope and future out of this world. We belong to God at a high cost!

v23-2v3

- We have been re-born, *'not of perishable seed, but...'* The Living enduring word of God purifies us and gives us new birth. Sincere love and an end to the things of 2v1 should mark this new imperishable life. We should crave this word that teaches us to be holy and grows us up in our salvation for our imperishable future.

How does Peter help us to stand firm in our faith from this letter?

How can we challenged to live Holy lives according to this passage?