

1 Peter Series

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TESTING FAITH

1 PETER 1:7–9



1ST PETER

**LIVING IN LIGHT
OF ETERNITY**

THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

**PHASE
ONE**

**PHASE
Two**

**PHASE
THREE**

Justification

**Spiritual
Life**

Glorification



**Positional
Sanctification**

**Progressive
Sanctification**

**Ultimate
Sanctification**

**Saved from the
Penalty of Sin**

**Saved from the
Power of Sin**

**Saved from the
Presence of Sin**

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Rejoicing in the Midst of the Present Fiery Trial Because Our Knowledge of the Word and our Love For Christ which Enables Us to look to a future deliverance in this life as well as the Glories to Come. 1 Peter 1:6–9

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λυπέω lypeō

**aor pass part masc plur acc
to grieve, pain**

Matt. 26:37, “And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed.”

1 Thess. 4:13, “But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.”

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The Role of Joy

James 1:2, “My brethren, **count** it all **joy** when you fall into various trials,

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James 1:4, “But let patience have *its* perfect [*teleios*] work, that you may be perfect [*teleios*] and complete, lacking nothing.”

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**γινώσκω *ginōskō*
pres act part masc
plur nom
Adverbial ptcp of
cause “*because*
you...”**

**to know, come to
know, recognize**

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testing

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sing gen to prove,

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testing,
approval, value

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ὑπομονή *hupomonē*

acc fem sing

steadfast endurance;

keep on doing

you can rest when it is

over

1 Cor. 3:10, “According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it.

1 Cor. 3:11, “For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”

1 Cor. 3:12, “Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw,

1 Cor. 3:13, “each one’s work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one’s work, of what sort it is.”

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fut act indic 3 sing to
prove, approve, test**

Rom. 12:2, “And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”

1 Cor. 3:14, “If anyone’s work which he has built on it endures [*meno, abides*], he will receive a reward.

1 Cor. 3:15, “If anyone’s work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.”

1 Cor. 10:13, “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.”

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concessive ptcp

“though, although, in
spite of”

to see, view, perceive

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πιστεύω *pisteuō*

pres act part masc plur nom

**Adv ptcp of means
to believe, trust**

“by believing, you rejoice”

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ἀγαλλιάω *agalliaō*

pres mid indic 2 plur

Grammatically it may have the sense of an imperative.

to exult, rejoice, to be exceedingly joyful

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Both acts of faith are in this life, hence phase 2, thus the “salvation” or deliverance of the life (cf., James 1:21)

James 1:21, “Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls (life).”

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κομίζω *komizō* pres mid part masc plur

nom

Adv ptcp of time

“to bring, receive”

“yet by believing you rejoice with joy inexpressible... when you receive the end result of your faith [FRD] the deliverance of your life.”

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