

1 Peter Series

Lesson #054

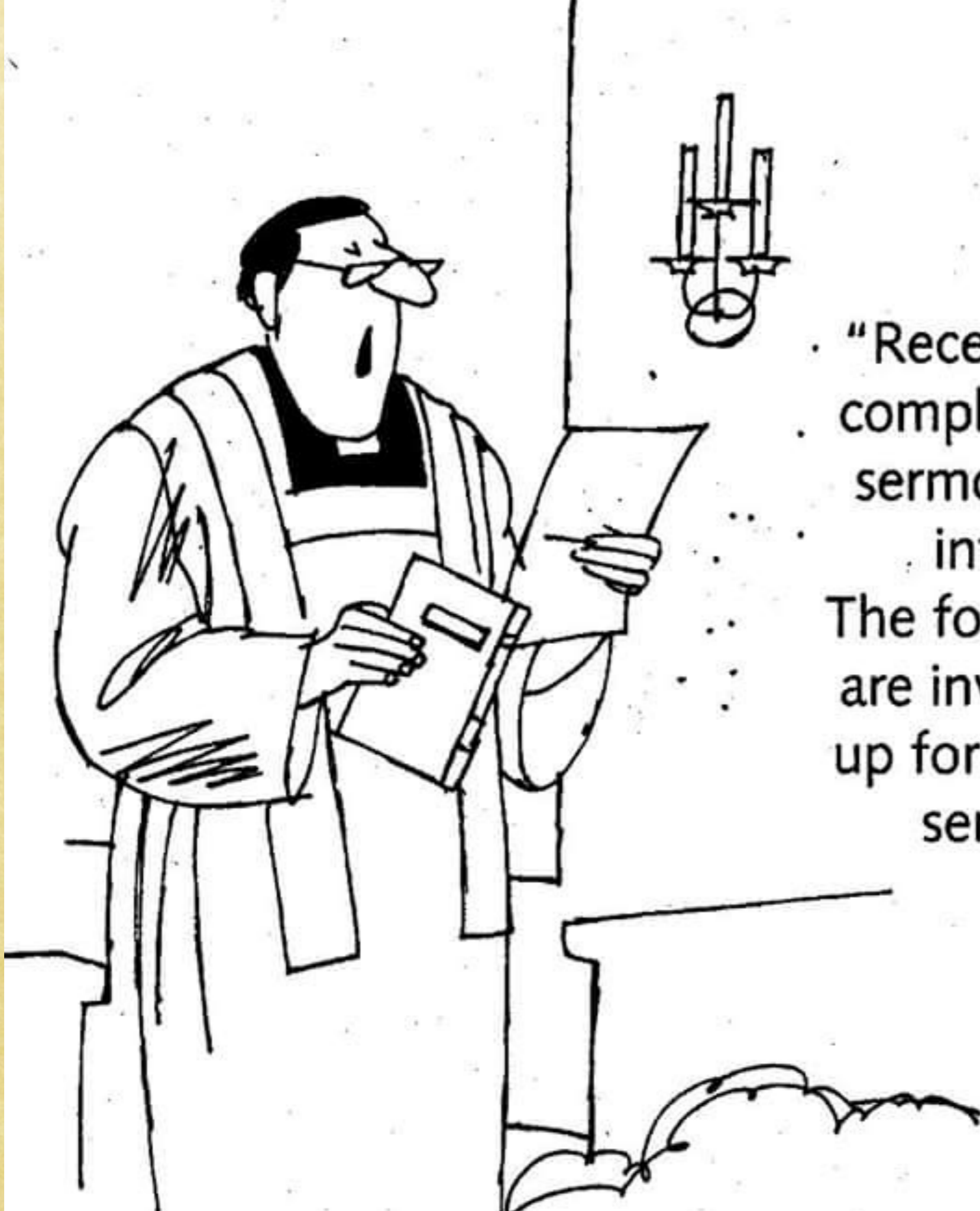
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“Recently, I’ve had complaints that my sermons were too intellectual.

The following adults are invited to come up for the children’s sermon . . .”

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**ABIDES FOREVER**

**1 PETER 1:21–25**



**1<sup>ST</sup> PETER**

**LIVING IN LIGHT  
OF ETERNITY**



- 1. Rest your hope fully on the grace brought to you through objective thinking ...  
(1 Pet. 1:13–14)**
- 2. Set yourselves apart to the service of God in every area of your lifestyle ...  
(1 Pet. 1:15–16)**
- 3. Conduct your lives in fearful respect of God ... (1 Pet. 1:17–21)**
- 4. Love one another with integrity ...  
(1 Pet. 1:22–25)**



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**Grammar: The perfect tense indicates a previous completed action in past time with results emphasized in the present**

**ἀγαπάω *agapaō***

**aor act impera 2  
plur to love**



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Myself, that they also may be sanctified by  
the truth.”**



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**Is this purification, Phase 1 positional? Or, Phase 2, experiential sanctification?**



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**These verses speak of *experiential cleansing, i.e., 1 John 1:9***

**James 4:8, “Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.”**

**1 John 3:3, “And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.”**

**But the perfect tense verb indicates past completed action, so that would suggest Phase 1 positional cleansing.**



**John 13:34, “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.”**

**John 15:12, “This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”**

**John 15:17, “These things I command you, that you love one another.”**



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**εἰς *eis***

**Preposition  
direction,  
purpose, goal**

**ἀνυπόκριτος  
*anupokritos***

**acc fem sing  
(verbal)**

**sincere, free from  
pretense or deceit**

**ἐκτενῶς *ektenōs* constantly, earnestly**

**καθαρός *katharos* gen fem sing clean, pure**



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**Eph. 1:13, “In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,”**

**Phil. 2:16, “holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.”**

**Col. 1:5, “because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel,”**

**Col. 4:3; 1 Thess. 1:8; 2:13; 2 Thess. 3:1;  
2 Tim. 2:9; 4:2; Titus 1:3; 2:5; Heb. 13:7;  
Jas. 1:21**



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**ζάω *zaō* pres  
act part masc  
sing gen  
to live**

**μένω *menō*  
pres act part  
masc sing gen  
to remain,  
abide, stay**



**Isa. 40:1, “ ‘Comfort, yes, comfort My people!’  
Says your God.**

**Isa. 40:2, “Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and  
cry out to her, that her warfare is ended, that  
her iniquity is pardoned; For she has  
received from the LORD’S hand double for all  
her sins.”**



**Isa. 40:3, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the LORD; Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

**Isa. 40:4, “ ‘Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill brought low; The crooked places shall be made straight and the rough places smooth;**

**Isa. 40:5, “ ‘The glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.’ ”**



**Isa. 55:1, “Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money, Come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.”**



**“Every leading thought here [in Isa. 40] fits in with what our author [of 1 Peter] has been saying. He too is addressing readers who are exiled ... and oppressed; and he has the same message for them, the contrast between the perishability of all mortal things (cf. φθαρτός in verses 18, 23) and the incorruptibility of the Christian inheritance and hope. ... The passage quoted is, therefore, the focal point of a much longer passage which must have been often present in the Apostle’s mind.”**

**~Edward Selwyn, *1 Peter***



**1 Pet. 1:24, “because ‘*All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls away,***

**1 Pet. 1:25, “ ‘*But the word of the LORD endures forever.*’ ”**

**Now this is the word which by the gospel [good news] was preached [taught to] to you.**



**Isa. 40:6**, “The voice said, ‘Cry out!’ And he said, ‘What shall I cry?’ ‘All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field.

**Isa. 40:7**, “ ‘The grass withers, the flower fades, because the breath of the LORD blows upon it; Surely the people are grass.

**Isa. 40:8**, “ ‘The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.’ ”

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