

**DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28**  
**FOURTH WEEK OF EPIPHANY + SERMON ON TEXT WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31**  
**DISCOVER THE CHRISTIAN LIFE + HOW ARE WE SUPPOSE TO LIVE AS CHRISTIANS**  
**IN VICTORY OVER SIN + 1 PETER 1:13-25; 2:1-3**

### Gather

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In your group share those things that you are thankful for at this time. Then share those things that are causing you stress. If you are studying alone write these things on a paper. You can offer your thanksgiving as a prayer of praise, and your stress as a prayer of petition by simply speaking it to God.

### Collect of the Day

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Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### Scripture

(New Revised Standard Version)

#### A Call to Holy Living

**1:13** Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. **14** Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. **15** Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; **16** for it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.'

**17** If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. **18** You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, **19** but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. **20** He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. **21** Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

**22** Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. **23** You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. **24** For  
'All flesh is like grass  
and all its glory like the flower of grass.  
The grass withers,  
and the flower falls,  
**25** but the word of the Lord endures for ever.'  
That word is the good news that was announced to you.

#### The Living Stone and a Chosen People

**2:1** Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. **2** Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— **3** if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

### Understanding

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Read the passage again then put it into your own words.  
Write it down if you can.  
Share in your group.

### Questions

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1. Did anything in this passage capture your attention?
2. What did you like about this passage? Did anything bother you? Why?
3. What does this passage tell us about God? What does this passage tell us about us?

4. What does this passage tell us about living to please God?

#### **Commitment**

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Since I/we know God's word is true, what do I/we have to change in our lives to obey this passage of Scripture?

#### **Action**

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Who do you know that needs to hear what God has helped you or your group discover? Plan to share it with them in the week ahead.

#### **Prayer**

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Close with prayer asking for the Holy Spirit to lead you through the week ahead.