

letter to elect exiles

FIRST PETER

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LIVING AT THE END OF THE WORLD

GEN.6:1-18 / 1PET.3:13-22

1) MY CHRISTIAN CALLING OF SUFFERING, DEATH, AND RESURRECTION LOOKS TO THE END OF THE WORLD

A. These Are the Footsteps Christ Laid Down for Me

B. As Christ Was Put to Death But Made Alive, So I Will Be

Rom.6:9 We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

Rom.8:10-11 But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

1Cor.15:44-45 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

2) MY CHRISTIAN CALLING IS TO LIVE AN END OF THE WORLD KIND OF LIFE

A. Christ Preached by His Spirit Thru His Prophets in the Time of Noah

2Pet.2:5 ...if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a preacher of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly...

B. Our Present Age of the World Is Essentially Like the Age That Ended

Mat.24:37-39 "As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man."

2Pet.3:4-7,11-12 They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation." For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly... Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!