



EXILES:

JOYFUL OR CYNICAL?

1 PETER



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- a restored **son** - “so does Mark, my son”

“Greet one another with the kiss of love.”

1 Peter 5:14

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2. The **purpose**

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“I have written briefly to you, exhorting and declaring that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it.”

1 Peter 5:12b

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- declaring (announcing) - stating what is **true**

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grace - charis (10x)

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“May **grace** and peace be multiplied to you.” (1:2b)

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“who prophesied about the **grace** that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully” (1:10b)

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“set your hope fully on the **grace** that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.” (1:13b)

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“For this is **a gracious thing**, when,
mindful of God, one endures ... this is
a gracious thing in the sight of God.”
(2:19a, 20b)

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“heirs with you of the **grace** of life” (3:7)

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“as good stewards of God’s varied grace” (4:10b)

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“God opposes the proud but gives **grace** to the humble.” (5:5b)

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“And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all **grace**, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.” (5:10)

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“... this is the true **grace** of God.
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- **legalism** - adding to it

“I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace.

“For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.”

Galatians 5:3-6

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- legalism - adding to it
- **license** - limiting it

“What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?”

Romans 6:15-16

What is he calling us to do?

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“stand firm in it” (12)





Trials -

“In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith — more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.” 1 Peter 1:6-7

Passions -

“Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

“As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct ...”

1 Peter 1:13-15

Conflict -

“Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.

“Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing.”

1 Peter 3:8-9

“And Moses said to the people, ‘Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.’”

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“The Lord said to Moses, ‘Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward.’”

Exodus 14:15

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“Peace to all of you who are in Christ.” (14b)

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