



Foster City Campus

Elect Exiles

1 Peter 1:1 - 2

Jan 15, 2017 || Mark Mitchell

1. How have you personally felt alienated from the culture because of how you live out your Christian life?
2. Mark mentions three undesirable extremes, Chameleon, Separatist, and Fighter. Which of these three undesirable extremes do you most lean toward personally?
3. What about the term Elect Exiles resonates with you as a Christian?
4. Why is this idea of being chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father so encouraging to us? (see Ephesians 1:4)
5. Why is the Holy Spirit critical to bringing about our initial sanctification that results in our believing in Christ and becoming born again? (see Titus 3:5; John 3:6)
6. How does “being sprinkled with Jesus’ blood” result in a new covenant that allows for obedience, forgiveness and grace?
7. How do the Father, Son and Spirit work together in a united and joint action for our redemption? (Consider the illustration of the family trapped by a forest fire)
8. What do the words “grace” and “peace” mean? How does being an Elect Exile allow us to have grace and peace in abundance?
9. Share with your Community Group a strategic next step to live as a follower of Christ in a world where you more and more feel dislocated?



North Campus Sermon Questions

People of God

1 Peter 1:1 - 2

Jan 15, 2017 || Rob Hall

1. How does Peter first establish his credibility in verse 1?

2.
 - a. What does it mean to be an exile?

 - b. How were the readers of Peter's letter exiles?

 - c. Do you ever feel like an exile as a follower of Jesus?

3.
 - a. What does it mean to be God's "elect"?

 - b. What are the three ways Peter helps us understand our identity before God? (verse 2)

4.
 - a. What does it mean to be chosen by the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit?

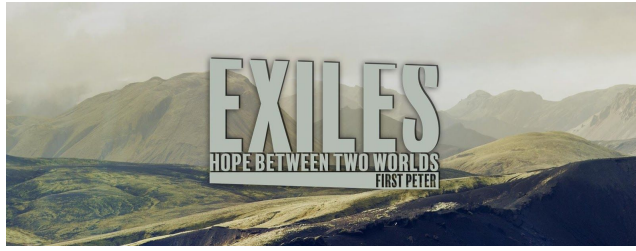
 - b. How is sanctification working out in your own life?

5.
 - a. What does it mean to be **chosen for obedience** and **by the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ**?

 - b. The Old Covenant was powerless to bring about obedience to God. How does the New Covenant make this possible?

6.
 - a. Do you know who you are before God? Explain

 - b. How does knowing who you are before God determine how you will live?



South Campus

Grace and Peace

1 Peter 1:1 - 2

Jan 15, 2017 || Dominic Rivera

1. Peter describes his audience as “exiles” (meaning foreigners, sojourners, temporarily residing in a place that is not your home). What was a recent experience in which you felt like an exile? How did it impact your view of yourself, the world, and your values?
2. How would you describe the foreknowledge of the Father?
3. How is the Holy Spirit at work in conversion? After conversion?
4. What is your reaction to reading the word, “obedience”? For you, is obedience to Jesus a difficult command by which to live? If so, why?
5. Describe a situation in which you experienced grace.
6. Describe a situation in which you experienced peace.
7. What does it mean to have grace and peace “in abundance”?
8. Who is someone in your life that needs to experience the grace and peace of God? What can you do this week to follow Jesus in bringing grace and peace in their life?