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Are You Ready?

Are you ready? Am I ready for what? **Are you ready to be the person that I have called you to be? Are you ready to go where I guide you? Are you ready to do what I ask of you? Are you ready to leave your old life behind you? Are you ready to walk into the new life that I have for you? Will you walk through the doors that I open before you?** You have me curious. I am intrigued. You have me yearning for more. I certainly don't want to stay where I am. I want to go where you guide me. I want to do whatever you ask of me. I want what you want. **That's very good.**

That's half the battle. What is the other half of the battle? **You tell me. What has held you back from walking through open doors that I have placed before you? When have you not gone where I guided you? When have you not done what I have asked of you?** This is a very uncomfortable subject for me to talk about. **I'm sure of that. Even having this discussion involves opening a door. This subject of this discussion, has been a closed door. A discussion on this topic, has been off limits. You have made it very clear to me that you don't want to discuss this topic. Am I right or am I wrong about this?** Who, am I to argue with you? There is nothing that can be hidden from you. **That's right.** So, I will open the door to this discussion. I have not always gone where you have guided me or done what you have asked me because I have been afraid. **What have you been afraid of?** I have been afraid of the unknown. I have been afraid that I might fail. I have been afraid that I might face rejection and ridicule. I have felt inadequate and unprepared. I have felt unable to go and do what you might ask of me. **There you said it. There were no big surprises to me. You have felt what everyone who loves, follows and serves me will feel. You are not unique. You are not alone. I will be with you every step of the way. As you feel fear, you will draw closer to me as I draw closer to you. As you feel fear you will come to rely even more on me as I help you to do what I have given you to do for me. Will I be enough for you?** You are infinitely more than enough for me. **Are you ready?** Yes Lord, I am ready.

You will leave your old life behind. You will no longer follow the patterns, practices and values of the world. You will no longer conform to the evil in which you once walked. You will set all your hope on me. You will follow me to where I lead you. You will do whatever I ask of you. You will live an obedient and faithful life before me. I will work in you, for you and through you. I will make you into the person I want you to become. You will learn from me. You will know my thoughts. You will walk in my ways. You will become like me. I will make you holy, just as I am holy. I welcome all your work in and through my life. **That is very good.**

Lord, I will set my heart, mind and life on you. I will no longer allow myself to conform to the evil desires in which I once lived. I have heard your call. I have come to you. I want what you want. Keep on making me to be like you as I love, follow and serve you. Amen

Be *Holy*

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NIV 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

So think clearly and exercise self-control. Look forward to the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world. So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then. But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy. For the Scriptures say, "You must be holy because I am holy."

NLT 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

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. Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

NRSV 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

So brace up your minds; be sober (circumspect, morally alert); set your hope wholly *and* unchangeably on the grace (divine favor) that is coming to you when Jesus Christ (the Messiah) is revealed. [Live] as children of obedience [to God]; do not conform yourselves to the evil desires [that governed you] in your former ignorance [when you did not know the requirements of the Gospel]. But as the One Who called you is holy, you yourselves also be holy in all your conduct *and* manner of living. For it is written, You shall be holy, for I am holy.

AMP 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober *in spirit*, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior; because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

NASB 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

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, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

ESV 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest *your* hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; but as He who called you *is* holy, you also be holy in all *your* conduct, because it is written, "*Be holy, for I am holy.*"

NKJV 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holiness*

So roll up your sleeves, put your mind in gear, be totally ready to receive the gift that's coming when Jesus arrives. Don't lazily slip back into those old grooves of evil, doing just what you feel like doing. You didn't know any better then; you do now. As obedient children, let yourselves be pulled into a way of life shaped by God's life, a life energetic and blazing with holiness. God said, "I am holy; you be holy."

MSG 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

So now you can look forward soberly and intelligently to more of God's kindness to you when Jesus Christ returns. Obey God because you are his children; don't slip back into your old ways—doing evil because you knew no better. But be holy now in everything you do, just as the Lord is holy, who invited you to be his child. He himself has said, "You must be holy, for I am holy."

TLB 1 Peter 1:13-16

Be *Holy*

So prepare your minds for service and have self-control. All your hope should be for the gift of grace that will be yours when Jesus Christ is shown to you. Now that you are obedient children of God do not live as you did in the past. You did not understand, so you did the evil things you wanted. But be holy in all you do, just as God, the One who called you, is holy. It is written in the Scriptures: "You must be holy, because I am holy."

NCV 1 Peter 1:13-16

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Be – 1 Peter 1:13-16

In Context: Read 1 Peter 1

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: *(What is God speaking to your heart?)*

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Considering The Words: *(What words speak to your heart?)*

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Praying The Scripture: *(What prayer from your heart will you write?)*

Lord, I will set my heart, mind and life on you. I will no longer allow myself to conform to the evil desires in which I once lived. I have heard your call. I have come to you. I want what you want. Keep on making me to be like you as I love, follow and serve you. Amen

What It Means: *(What questions speak to your heart?)* (Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)

How will preparing your mind for action help you to have self-control as a follower of Jesus Christ?

What has the Lord used to help you to prepare your mind for action as you follow and serve Him?

How will having a mind that is prepared for action help you to no longer be conformed to evil desires?

How has the Lord helped you to choose to no longer allow yourself to be conformed to evil desires?

How are you setting your mind on all the hope you have in the grace of Jesus Christ?

How are you evaluating the holiness of all what you think, say and do as a follower of Christ?

How is Jesus Christ making you to be more like Him every day as you follow Him?

Living It Out: *(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)*

Prepare your mind for action so that you can live the life that Jesus Christ is calling you to live.

Seeing It Happen: *(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)*

Have faith that the Lord has called you to become more like Him every day as you love, follow and serve Him.

Get Ready To Share: *(What can you share with others from your heart?)*

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord is helping you to become like Him as you follow Him.

Close With Prayer: *Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

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1 Peter 1

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Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you allow Jesus Christ to make you to be like Him as you set your heart and mind and life on Him.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, make me to be like you as I set my heart and mind and life on you.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how will you make me to be like you as I set my heart and mind and life on you today?
