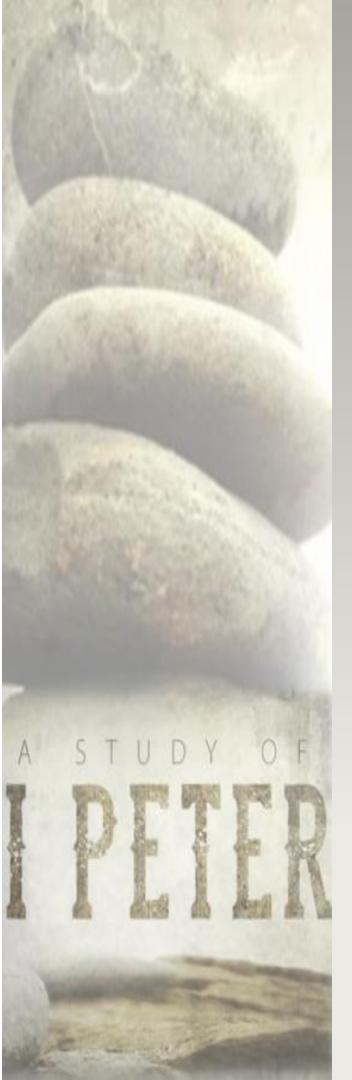


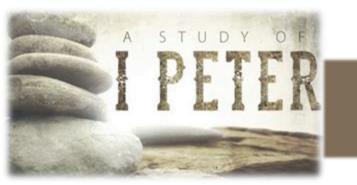
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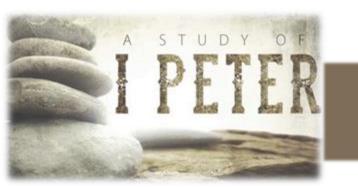
God tells me not to just live for today and build my entire life around something that is temporary.

God wants me to have an eternal perspective.

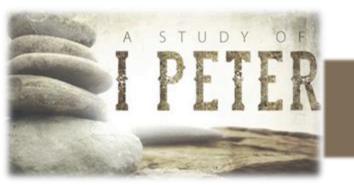
I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.



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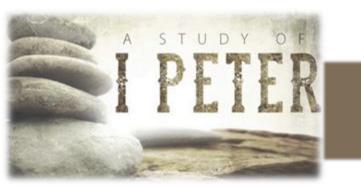
They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.



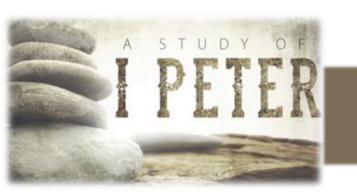
Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them.

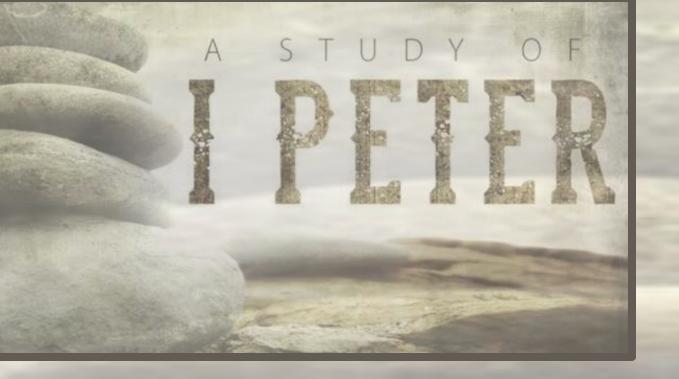
For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.

The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.



All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth.



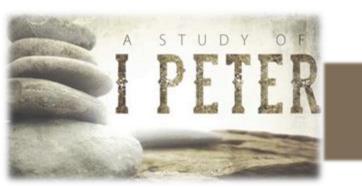


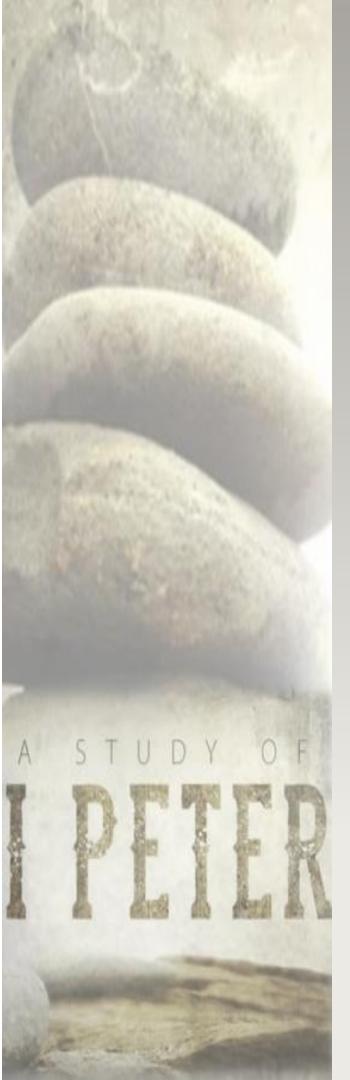
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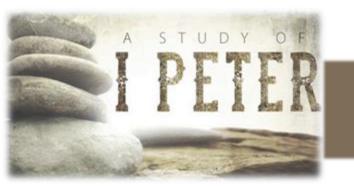
Grace and peace be yours in abundance.



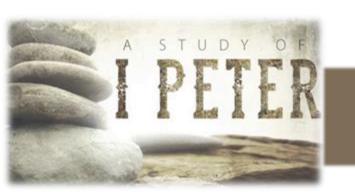


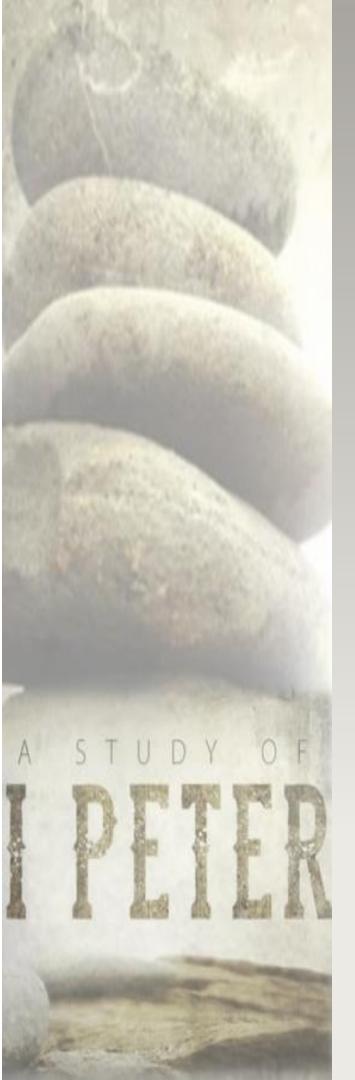
Grace is a gift that cannot be earned but is given out of love and compassion.

As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one;



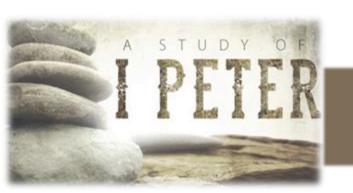
All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one."

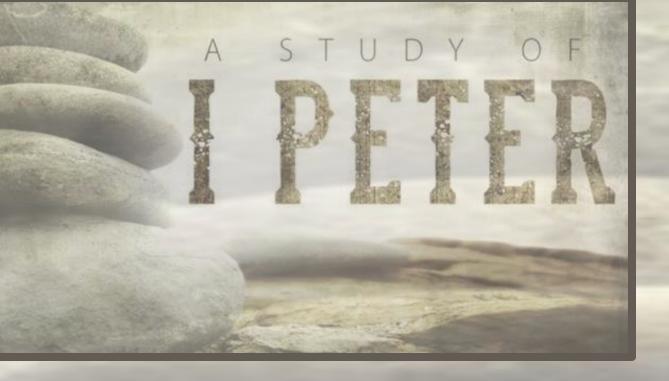




Grace is God telling me that He loves me even though....

But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."





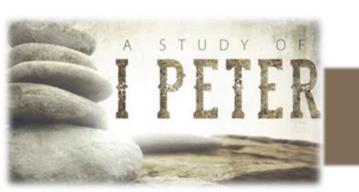
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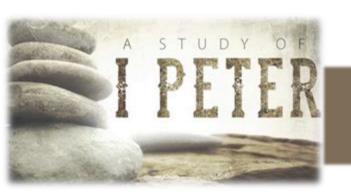
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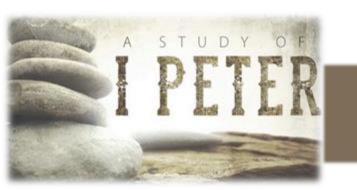


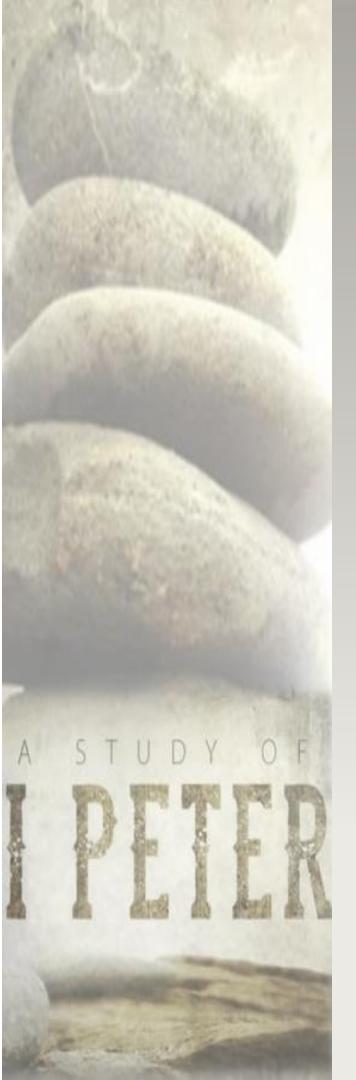
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.



Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.





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