

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

# exiles

IN A FOREIGN LAND

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THE LETTER OF FIRST PETER

# 1 Peter 2:6-12

<sup>6</sup> For it stands in Scripture: “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>7</sup> So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

# 1 Peter 2:6-12

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”<sup>8</sup> and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,

## 1 Peter 2:6-12

a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

# 1 Peter 2:6-12

<sup>11</sup> Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

<sup>12</sup> Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers,

# 1 Peter 2:6-12

they may see your good deeds and  
glorify God on the day of visitation.

## Acts 2:22-23

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—

## Acts 2:22-23

23 this Jesus, delivered up according to  
the definite plan and foreknowledge of  
**God, you crucified and killed by the**  
**hands of lawless men.**

## Acts 4:23-31

When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them.

24 And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said,

# Acts 4:23-31

"Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, 25 who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit, "Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain?

## Acts 4:23-31

26 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed'— 27 for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and

## Acts 4:23-31

Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, 28 to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. 29 And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness,

## Acts 4:23-31

30 while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken,

# Acts 4:23-31

and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

# Galatians 5:16-24

16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.

# Galatians 5:16-24

18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality,  
20 idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy,

# Galatians 5:16-24

drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

# Galatians 5:16-24

23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.