

Discussion Questions for 1 Peter 1:1-2

Peter writes to fearful, isolated and uncertain believers; perhaps some of us feel like this at the moment. How does Peter's description of believers as 'elect exiles' provide comfort?

Why is it helpful for Christians to see themselves as living 'in exile'?

Day by day, do you view yourself as an exile in this world because you belong to God's everlasting kingdom? Is this reality seen in your priorities and aspirations... for your children, career, possessions, money, leisure time? Are they any different from the world's priorities?

In what areas of life are you being shaped by the world's values and way of operating?

We're all those who have failed and sided with the kingdom of the world rather than God's kingdom. How does knowing this letter was written by Peter provide reassurance and hope?