1 Peter Series
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# Standing in Grace: **Judgment Seat of Christ** Peter 4:12; James 1:2-4 1ST PETER LIVING IN LIGHT OF ETERNITY

# Conclusion to the Epistle, 1 Pet. 4:12-5:14

1 Pet. 4:12, "Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

1 Pet. 4:13, "but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy."

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1 Pet. 4:14, "If you are reproached [reviled, insulted] for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified."

#### In 1 Pet. 4:12-14 Peter states:

1. Facing suffering for our belief in Jesus should not be a surprise.

"do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you"

Matt. 10:22, "And you will be hated by all for [because of] My name's sake [who I am]. But he who endures to the end will be saved."

John 15:18, "If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you.

John 15:19, "If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

John 15:20, "Remember the word that I said to you, 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also."

John 15:21, "But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me."

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2. The suffering here is related to Christ's suffering, undeserved suffering for doing right. Insofar as we experience undeserved suffering we share [koinoneo, "share, take part"] in Christ's suffering.

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3. When the believer suffers for his belief and obedience to Jesus this is a source of blessing which will reverberate through eternity.

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ἡγέομαι *hēgeomai* aor mid impera 2 plur to think, reason, consider, count, regard

χαρά chara
acc fem sing
A mental attitude
of happiness,
contentment,
stability, and joy

πειρασμός *peirasmos*dat masc plur temptation, test
Choices to obey or disobey include
the enticement to disobey

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1 Pet. 1:6, "In this you greatly <u>rejoice</u>, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various <u>trials</u>,

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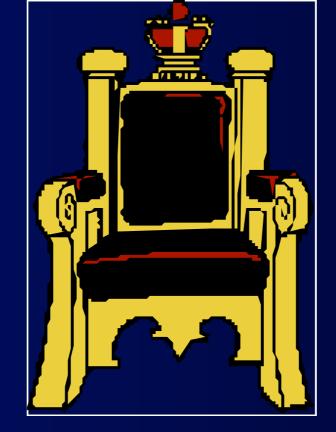
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# 2 Cor. 5:10,

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad."

βημα,



Bema,

The raised or elevated seat where the magistrate or tribunal would sit. In judicial settings this was the seat of the judge or tribunal.





# 8 Judgments 4 Resurrections

Church Age

### **Tribulation**

Millennial Kingdom

Eternal State

The "First" Resurrection (saved) Christ, Rapture, 2 Witnesses, OT and Trib Saints



- Surviving Gentiles
- Surviving Jews
- Old Testament Saints
- Tribulation Saints

**Antichrist** 

Lake of Fire **Second Resurrection** (unsaved)



**Great White Throne** 

**Unsaved Dead** 

**False Prophet** 

Satan

Mt 25:41; Rev 19:20; 20:10,14-15

Bema **Judgment Seat of** 

Christ

1 Cor. 3:9, "For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building.

1 Cor. 3:10, "According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it."



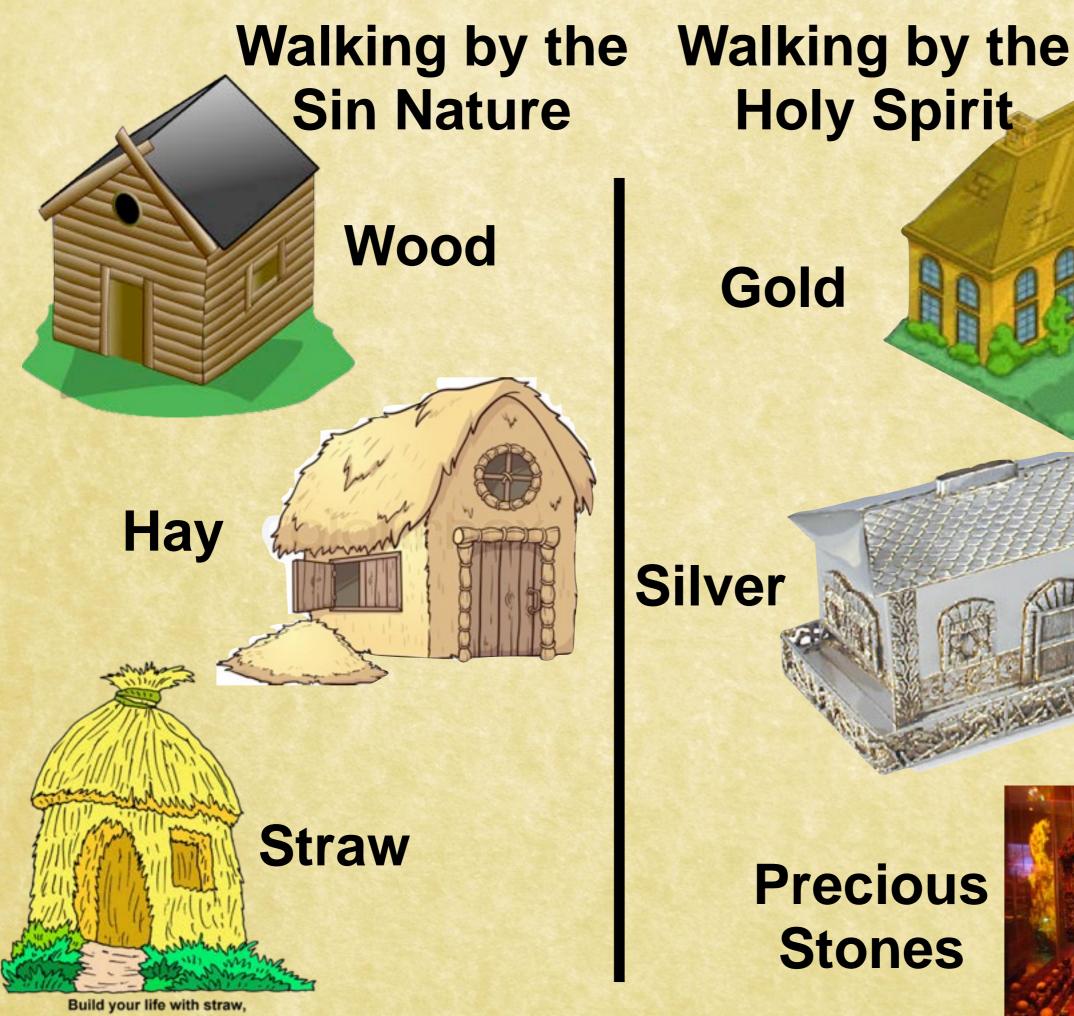


1 Cor. 3:11, "For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 3:12, "Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw,"

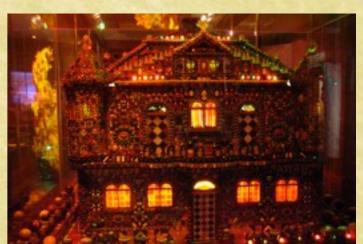
1 Cor. 3:13, "each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test [evaluate] each one's work, of what sort it is."

δοκιμάζω *dokimazō* fut act indic 3 sing to prove, approve, test





**Precious Stones** 



1 Cor. 3:14, "If anyone's work which he has built on it endures [meno "remains"], he will receive a reward.

1 Cor. 3:15, "If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire."

