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the time Peter was  
writing this book.



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**the spirits in prison,**

Lk. 16:19  
2 Pet. 2:4

WHEN DID HE GO AND TO WHOM DID HE PREACH?



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Gen 6:3 yet shall his days be a hundred and twenty years.

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2 Peter 2:5 and spared not the ancient world, but preserved **Noah** with seven others, a **preacher of righteousness**, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;



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**THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST WAS IN NOAH WHEN HE PREACHED TO THE PEOPLE OF HIS DAY.**

**These people rejected his teaching and were in prison when Peter wrote his book.**





Wherein few, that is, eight souls (Gen. 7:13)  
**were saved through water**

**THROUGH** = BY MEANS OF WATER

WATER WAS THE AGENT



**2/17/600 TO 1/1/601**





1 Peter 3:21 which also after a **true likeness** doth now save you, even **baptism**, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the interrogation (answer) of a good conscience toward God, **through the resurrection of Jesus Christ**;

He first tells what baptism does do – **It saves you**

Then he tells what it does not do – **wash the dirt from your flesh**

Then he tells the reason why a person submits to baptism – **because he has a good conscience**

Interrogation or answer



Baptism washes your sins away  
Acts 2:38; 22:16

Baptism also delivers you into a new condition.

1 Cor. 12:13; Rom. 6:3; 2 Cor. 5:17

**THE CLEANSING OF SINS THROUGH BAPTISM  
DEPENDS ON THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST**



1 Peter 3:22

**who is on the right hand of God,  
having gone into heaven; angels  
and authorities and powers being  
made subject unto him.**

**Ps. 110:1**

**Acts 3:34**

**Rom. 8:34**

**Eph. 1:20**

**Heb. 1:3**

**Col. 2:10**

**Mt. 28:18**

***CHAPTER FOUR***  
***CONTINUES RIGHT ON WITH***  
***THE SUBJECT OF SUFFERING***  
***WITHOUT ANY BREAK AT ALL***

**1 Peter 4:1**

**Forasmuch then** as Christ suffered in the flesh,

**1 Peter 4:1-2**

**Forasmuch then as Christ suffered in the flesh, arm ye yourselves also with the same mind; for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;**

**2 that ye no longer should live the rest of your time in flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.**

**As** Christ suffered in the flesh

He is not talking about just any kind of suffering , but the kind that Christ suffered. Suffering for what is right.

**Arm**

To arm, furnish with arms; to provide, to furnish one's self with a thing.

**Mind**

Thinking, consideration, meditation, a thought, notion conception, manner of thinking and feeling

**Rest of your time in the flesh**

The rest of your life

**Lusts of men**

Strong fleshly desires that control men

**Will of God**

God's carefully thought out will or desire.



**1 Peter 4:3 For the time past may suffice to have wrought the desire of the Gentiles, and to have walked in lasciviousness, lusts, winebibbings, revellings, carousings, and abominable idolatries:**

**Lasciviousness**

Unbridled lust. It is an outward act of fulfilling the lusts.

**Lusts**

The inward strong desires, in contrast to the outward acts above

**Winebibbings**

To bubble up or overflow with wine. Drunkenness

**Revellings**

Feasts and drinking-parties that are protracted till late at night and indulge in revelry.

**Carousings**

Drinking, drinking parties

**Abominable  
idolatries**

Drunken parties where not only fleshly desires were fulfilled but also idolatrous worship.

**1 Peter 4:4-5**

**wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them into the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you  
who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the living and the dead.**

**Excess**

**An overflowing, a pouring out.** “Excess is from a term which means, literally an overflowing, and in classical Greek referred to gutters suddenly swollen from rains which poured their contents into common sewers.”  
Woods Comm. p. 109

**Riot**

**An abandoned, dissolute life.**

**Speak evil**

**Blaspheme**

**Who shall  
give account**

**The ones judging you and speaking evil of you shall give account to the God of all whether living or dead.**

**1 Peter 4:6**

**For unto this end was the gospel preached even to the dead, that they might be judged indeed according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.**

**Unto this end**

**There is a purpose for the gospel being preached to men while they are living in the flesh.**

**That they might be judged by the life they lived here**

**2 Cor. 5:10; Mt. 25; Mt. 7:21; Lk. 19ff**

**Live according to God in the spirit**

**These people were dead and living in the spirit world when Peter wrote this epistle. They would still be judged by what they did here.**

**All of this could be said about any of us. We have all talked to and taught dead people who are living according to God in the spirit.**