

1 PETER 4:3-6

For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry.⁴ With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you;⁵ but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.⁶ For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does.

SERMON REFLECTIONS

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1. What is a Christian life that is distinct from the world? Why is it important to live a distinctly Christian life?

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2. How have you experienced the battle between God's will and the expectation from the world that you will do what they want to do?

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3. Why does the world hate being exposed by the light of God's word? What kinds of persecution can come as a result?

4. How is the gospel the solution to the fear of judgment from the world? How does the gospel give us a healthy fear of Judgment Day?

5. How does the gospel give us proper motivation for holiness?