

# FIRST PETER The Christian's Life in Exile —Part 10

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2:1-3— “Longing for God”—May 10, 2015

*“The next was a dish of milk well crumbed; Gaius said, ‘Let the boys have that, that they may grow thereby.’”  
—John Bunyan, Pilgrim’s Progress*

The Christian’s Election and Exile—1 Peter 1:1-2

The Christian’s Living Hope—1 Peter 1:3-12

The Christian’s Life in Relation to God—1 Peter 1:13-2:3

- Emulating God’s Holiness—1:13-16
- The Conduct of a Redeemed Life—1:17-21
- Loving One Another According to God’s Word—1:22-25

Maturing as a Christian—2:1-3

Putting Away Evil

*“<sup>1</sup>So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.”*

- The previous verses present the basis for this ethical appeal: Christians have been \_\_\_\_\_ ! (1:22)
- Metaphor: The removal of a \_\_\_\_\_

1. *Malice*

2. *Deceit*

3. *Hypocrisy*

4. *Envy*

5. *Slander*

⇒ The implication is that these are the actions of those who are not a part of God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

⇒ These actions and attitudes are the antithesis of Peter’s command to love one another.

## New Birth, New Longing

*“<sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.”*

- Metaphor: A hungry, \_\_\_\_\_ child

⇒ This is the manner in which Christians should long for God.

⇒ “...*the pure spiritual milk*...”

The Goal:      Christian \_\_\_\_\_

## What is Peter doing in this passage?

Peter wants Christians to recall God’s goodness to them in Christ and to \_\_\_\_\_ Him above all earthly things so that we will become mature in relation to God and one another.

### Some things to consider:

- As fallen people who live in a fallen world, we possess \_\_\_\_\_ desires.
- The quality of our love for one another will depend on our love for \_\_\_\_\_ and His Word.
- Our desire for God is rekindled as we come to see Him in His Word and we \_\_\_\_\_ all that He has done in our lives.

## Psalm 42