

STUDY NOTES – JUNE 30, 2019
Sermon Series: *First Peter: Stand Firm*
Pastor Kris preaches from the *English Standard Version (ESV)*.
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1 Peter 1:8-12

1. The value of our personal faith (Vs. 8-9)

1 Peter 1:8–9 (ESV) — **8** Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, **9** obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

- Life lessons:
 - Stand firm even though you've not seen Jesus.
 - Be grateful that your salvation is completely secure.

2. The value of the Christian Faith (Vs. 10-12)

1 Peter 1:10–12 (ESV) — **10** Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, **11** inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. **12** It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

- Life lesson: Stand firm because you're living in the best of times!

How to stand firm in tough times

1. Determine to trust in God's providence.
2. Confess your fears to God.
3. Don't be dragged down by naysayers.
4. Limit your intake of negative media.
5. Shift your hope from man's politics to God's promises.
6. Battle through negativity with a consistent prayer life.

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- Have someone read Sunday's passage: 1 Peter 1:8-12
 - What truths stand out to you?

- 1. What do you think it was like for the disciples to see Jesus every day?
 - Have you struggled to “walk by faith and not by sight?”
 - How did you overcome the struggle?
 - As a group, share a few blessings from the truth that we are completely secure in Christ.
- 2. Why is it so easy to get discouraged in our time?
 - What are some results of becoming discouraged?
 - List some more ways that we can stand firm in tough times.
 - Take some extended time to offer praise to God for His sovereign control over all things.

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