



**STUDY NOTES – AUGUST 4, 2019**  
**Sermon Series: “First Peter: Stand Firm”**

**Scripture: 1 Peter 1:20-21**

**1. The timing of God’s plan (V. 20a)**

**1 Peter 1:20 (ESV) — 20** He was foreknown before the foundation of the world....

- Life lesson: God knew we’d be a complete failure, **but He went ahead with His plan anyway.**

**2. The personal nature of God’s plan (V. 20b)**

- Life lesson: Never doubt that **God is for you!**

**1 Peter 1:20 (ESV) — 20** .... but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you

**3. The exclusivity of God’s plan (V. 21)**

**1 Peter 1:21 (ESV) — 21** who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

- Life lesson: God’s plan is **inseparably linked to Jesus.**

## S.A.L.T. Group questions

- Have someone read Sunday's passage: 1 Peter 1:20-21
  - What truths stand out to you?
  
- 1. How does the truth that Jesus (and His crucifixion) was foreknown before the world's creation affect our attitude?
  - Why would God create the world knowing that we would fall away from him?
    - What does this tell us about God?
- 2. Have you ever felt disappointed in God?
  - What circumstances led to this feeling?
  - How did you return to the truth that God is for you?
- 3. Why is secular culture so opposed to Jesus being the only way to God?
  - How do you see culture's opposition impacting the church in the next 3 to 5 years?
  - What are some ways that we, as individuals and as a church, can stand firm under such opposition?

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