1 Peter Series

Lesson #025

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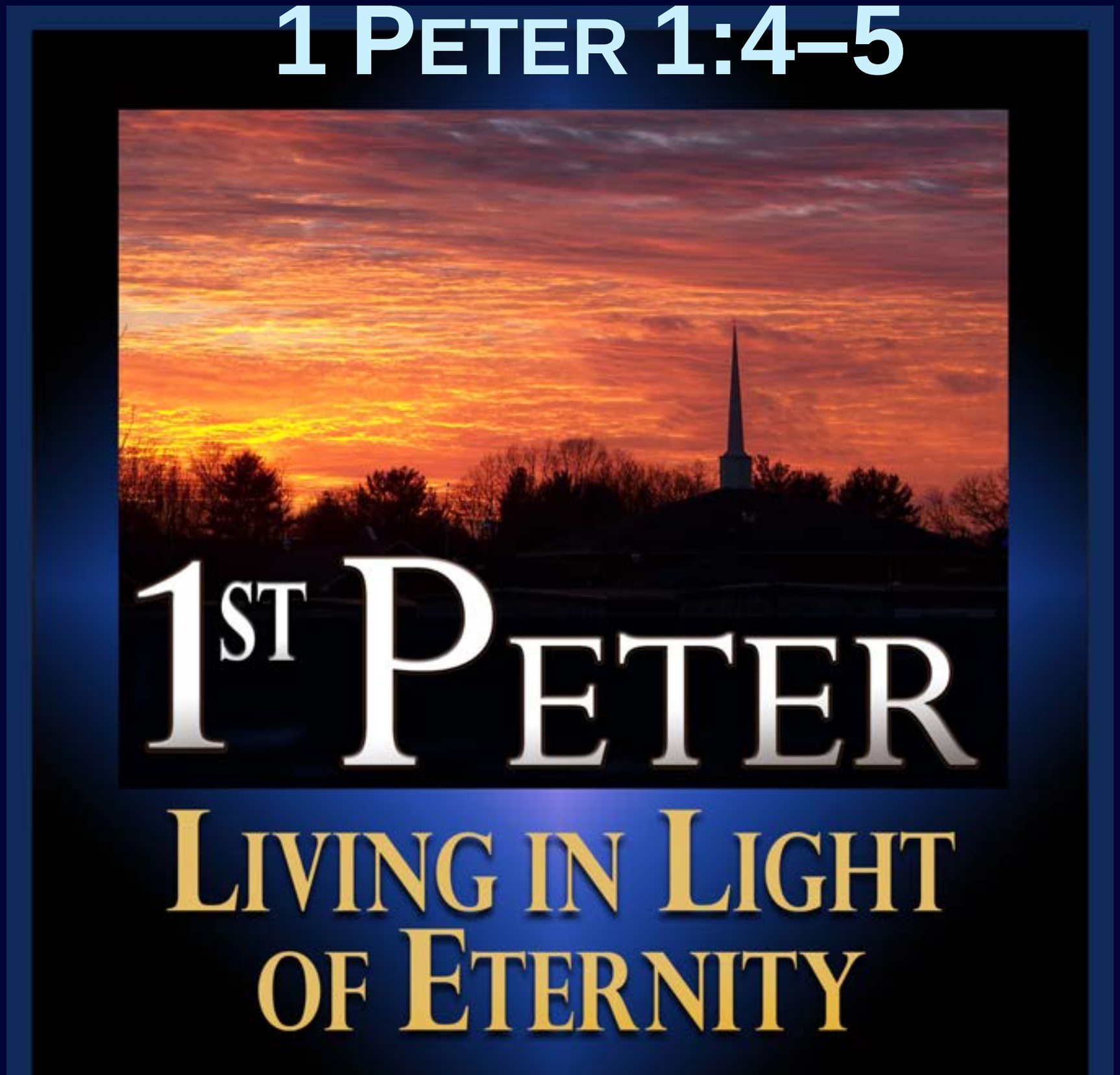
The Power of God
1 Peter 1:4–5



Meaning is determined by context.
What is the meaning or significance of this puzzle piece?

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For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Rom. 6:16, “Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves whom you obey, whether of <u>sin leading to death</u>, or of obedience leading to righteousness?”

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The first question:

What kind of inheritance is this?

Rom. 8:16, “The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

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Where do the commas belong?

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<u>perf</u> pass part fem sing acc

to keep, to guard

The perfect tense indicates a completed or finished action in past time.

Thus God in eternity past secured this inheritance for each of us.

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σύ *su*
acc plur 2nd person
<u>PLURAL;</u>
<u>Y’ALL</u>;
Indicates that the inheritance applies to all of his readers, not just the obedient ones or the overcomers.

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σωτηρία *sōtēria*
acc fem sing
salvation

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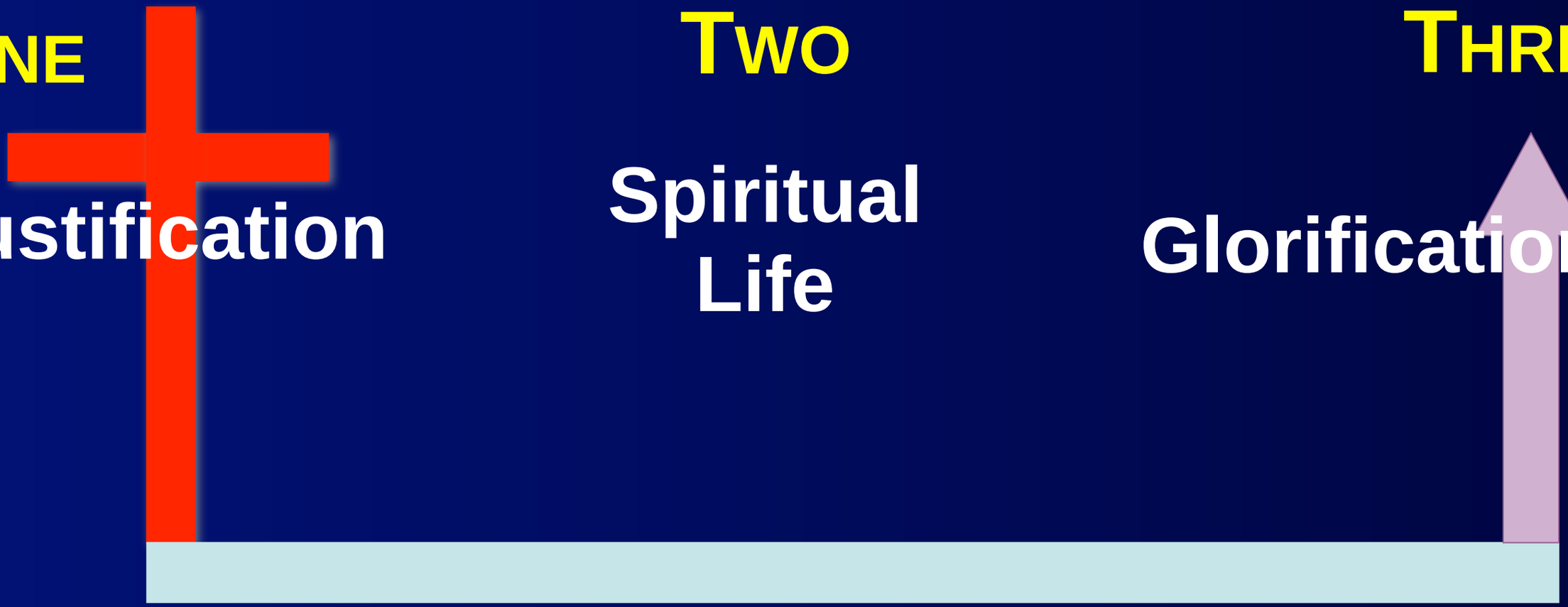
THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

PHASE ONE

PHASE TWO

PHASE THREE



Justification

Spiritual Life

Glorification

Positional Sanctification

Saved from the Penalty of Sin

Progressive Sanctification

Saved from the Power of Sin

Ultimate Sanctification

Saved from the Presence of Sin

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At first glance, or even second, this looks like a Phase three salvation.

However ...

1 Pet. 1:5, “who are kept by the power of God <u>through faith</u> for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

dia **with the genitive of** ***pisteuo*** **frequently means Phase 1 faith for justification (Rom. 3:22; Eph. 2:8–9; Gal. 2:16; Phil. 3:9).**

However, it also means Phase 2 sanctification, i.e., the Faith-Rest Drill in 2 Cor. 5:7; Heb. 6:12; 11:33.

1 Pet. 1:6, “In this you greatly rejoice, though <u>now for a little while</u>, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

1 Pet. 1:7, “that <u>the genuineness of your faith</u>, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,”

1 Pet. 1:5, “who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in <u>the last time</u>.”

Does “last time” refer to the future end times, or to the present Church Age?

2 Tim. 3:1, “But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:”

Heb. 1:2, “has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;

1 Pet. 1:20, “He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you.”

1 Pet. 1:8, “whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, <u>yet believing</u>, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

1 Pet. 1:9, “receiving <u>the end of your faith</u>—the salvation of your souls.”

Both acts of faith are in this life, hence Phase 2, thus the “salvation” or deliverance of the life (cf., James 1:21)

James 1:21, “Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls (life).”

1 Pet. 1:10, “Of <u>this salvation</u> the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you,

1 Pet. 1:11, “searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.”

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CONCLUSION: This is Phase 2 sanctification, deliverance through the fiery trials.

1 Pet. 1:6, “In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

1 Pet. 4:12, “Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;”

2 Pet. 1:3, “as <u>His divine power</u> has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

2 Pet. 1:4, “by which <u>have been given</u> to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.”

δωρέομαι *dōreomai*
<u>perf</u> mid part fem
sing gen
to give

δωρέομαι *dōreomai*
<u>perf</u> mid ind
to give