

ΠΕΤΡΟΥ Α΄

To elect pilgrims

¹ Πέτρος, ἀπόστολος Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ἐκλεκτοῖς παρεπιδήμοις διασποραῖς Πόντου, Γαλατίας, Καππαδοκίας, Ἀσίας καὶ Βιθυνίας,*
² κατὰ πρόγνωσιν Θεοῦ Πατρός, ἐν ἁγιασμῷ Πνεύματος, εἰς ὑπακοὴν καὶ ῥαντισμὸν αἵματος Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ· Χάρις ὑμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη πληθυνθείη.

Don't take your inheritance for granted

Begotten into an incorruptible inheritance

³ Εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς καὶ Πατὴρ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὁ κατὰ τὸ πολὺ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ† ἀναγεννήσας ἡμᾶς εἰς ἐλπίδα ζῶσαν δι' ἀναστάσεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐκ νεκρῶν, ⁴ εἰς κληρονομίαν ἄφθαρτον καὶ ἀμίαντον καὶ ἀμάραντον, τετηρημένην ἐν οὐρανοῖς εἰς ὑμᾶς,‡ ⁵ τοὺς ἐν δυνάμει Θεοῦ φρουρουμένους διὰ πίστεως εἰς σωτηρίαν ἐτοίμην ἀποκαλυφθῆναι ἐν καιρῷ ἐσχάτῳ.

* **1:1** [Peter evidently expected his letter to have a rather wide distribution!] † **1:3** ελεος αυτου f³⁵ ρ⁷² 048 [38%] | 21 κA,B,C [60%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 1 [2%] (f³⁵ [K^r] is independent of K^x and has the earliest attestation. 'His GREAT mercy' or 'His great mercy', which?) ‡ **1:4** υμας f³⁵ κA,B,C [95%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | ημας ρ^{72v} [5%] TR (Some TRs, including the one underlying the AV, have υμας.)

Genuineness of faith proved by testing

6 Ἐν ᾧ ἀγαλλιᾶσθε, ὀλίγον ἄρτι, εἰ δέον ἐστίν, § λυπηθέντες* ἐν ποικίλοις πειρασμοῖς, 7 ἵνα τὸ δοκίμιον ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως (πολὺ τιμιώτερον† χρυσίου τοῦ ἀπολλυμένου, διὰ πυρὸς δὲ δοκιμαζομένου) εὕρεθῆ εἰς ἔπαινον καὶ δόξαν καὶ τιμὴν‡ ἐν ἀποκαλύψει Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ 8 —ὄν οὐκ εἰδότες§ ἀγαπᾶτε, εἰς ὃν (ἄρτι μὴ ὀρώντες) πιστεύοντες δὲ ἀγαλλιᾶσθε χαρᾷ ἀνεκκλαλήτῳ καὶ δεδοξασμένῳ, 9 κομιζόμενοι τὸ τέλος τῆς πίστεως ὑμῶν,* σωτηρίαν ψυχῶν.

Salvation foretold by prophets

10 Περὶ ἧς σωτηρίας ἐξεζήτησαν καὶ ἐξηρεύνησαν† προφητῶν οἱ περὶ τῆς εἰς ὑμᾶς χάριτος προφητεύσαντες, 11 ἐρευνῶντες‡ εἰς τίνα, ἣ ποῖον καιρὸν, ἐδήλου τὸ ἐν αὐτοῖς

§ 1:6 ἐστιν f³⁵ ϣ⁷²_{A,C} [98.6%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP [NU]ECM | — κB [1.4%] * 1:6 λυπηθεντες f³⁵ ϣ⁷²_{A,B,C} [75%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | λυπηθεντας κ [23.5%] ECM | two other variants † 1:7 πολυ τιμιωτερον f³⁵ [80%] RP,HE,TR,CP | πολυτιμοτερον ϣ⁷²_{κA,B,C} [20%] OC,NU ‡ 1:7 δοξαν και τιμην f³⁵ ϣ⁷²_{κA,B,C} [35%] NU | 321 [28%] OC,TR,CP | 32 εἰς 1 [37%] RP,HE (K^x is divided over whether to add the preposition, but is agreed as to the word order. Again f³⁵ [K^r] is independent of K^x and has the earliest attestation.) § 1:8 εἰδοτες f³⁵ A [93%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ἰδοντες ϣ⁷²_{κB,C} [7%] NU * 1:9 ὑμων f³⁵ κA,C [96%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | ἡμων [3%] | — B [1%] † 1:10 ἐξηρευνησαν f³⁵ C [99%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ἐξηραυνησαν ϣ⁷²_{κA,B} [1%] NU ‡ 1:11 ἐρευωντες f³⁵ A,C [93.2%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ἐξερευωντες [5%] | ἐραυωντες ϣ⁷²_{κB} [0.8%] NU | — [1%]

Πνεῦμα Χριστοῦ προμαρτυρόμενον τὰ εἰς Χριστὸν παθήματα καὶ τὰς μετὰ ταῦτα δόξας·
 12 οἷς ἀπεκαλύφθη ὅτι οὐχ ἑαυτοῖς, ὑμῖν[§] δέ, διηκόνουν αὐτά, ἃ νῦν ἀνηγγέλη ὑμῖν διὰ τῶν εὐαγγελισαμένων ὑμᾶς, ἐν* Πνεύματι Ἁγίῳ ἀποσταλέντι ἀπ’ οὐρανοῦ—εἰς ἃ ἐπιθυμοῦσιν ἄγγελοι παρακύψαι.

Be serious, be holy, be fearful

13 Διὸ ἀναζωσάμενοι τὰς ὀσφύας τῆς διανοίας ὑμῶν, νήφοντες, τελείως ἐλπίσατε ἐπὶ τὴν φερομένην ὑμῖν χάριν ἐν ἀποκαλύψει Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ 14 —ὡς τέκνα ὑπακοῆς, μὴ συσχηματιζόμενοι ταῖς πρότερον ἐν τῇ ἀγνοίᾳ ὑμῶν ἐπιθυμίαις, 15 ἀλλὰ κατὰ τὸν καλέσαντα ὑμᾶς ἅγιον, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἅγιοι ἐν πάσῃ ἀναστροφῇ γενήθητε, 16 διότι γέγραπται,[†] «Ἅγιοι γίνεσθε,[‡] ὅτι ἐγὼ ἅγιός εἰμι.»[§]

17 Καί, εἰ Πατέρα ἐπικαλεῖσθε τὸν ἀπροσωπολήπτως* κρίνοντα κατὰ τὸ

§ 1:12 ὑμιν ^f35 ^ϕ72^{κα,Β,С} [86%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | ημιν [14%] TR * 1:12 εν ^f35 ^κC [96%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — ^ϕ72^{A,В} [4%] † 1:16 γεγραπται ^f35 ^ϕ72^{κα,С} [98%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,ECM | 1 οτι B [2%] [NU] ‡ 1:16 γινεσθε ^f35 [52%] RP,HE,OC | γενεσθε [36%] TR,CP | εσεσθε ^ϕ72^{κα,Β,С} [12%] NU | two other variants (The early uncials presumably assimilated to the LXX; I take Peter’s point to be that since God is holy all the time, we are to be also [present tense—we have to work at it].) § 1:16 ειμι ^f35 ^ϕ72^С [99.2%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ^{κα,В} [0.8%] [NU]ECM * 1:17 απροσωποληπτως ^f35 [98.5%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | απροσωπολημπτως ^ϕ72^{κα,Β,С} [1.5%] NU | two other variants (Liddell & Scott don’t mention the longer spelling.)

ἐκάστου ἔργον, ἐν φόβῳ τὸν τῆς παροικίας ὑμῶν χρόνον ἀναστράφητε, ¹⁸ εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ φθαρτοῖς (ἀργυρίῳ ἢ χρυσίῳ) ἐλυτρώθητε ἐκ τῆς ματαίας ὑμῶν ἀναστροφῆς πατροπαραδότου,† ¹⁹ ἀλλὰ τιμίῳ αἵματι, ὡς ἀμνοῦ ἀμώμου καὶ ἀσπίλου, Χριστοῦ· ²⁰ προεγνωσμένου μὲν πρὸ καταβολῆς κόσμου, φανερωθέντος δὲ ἐπ’ ἐσχάτων‡ τῶν χρόνων δι’ ὑμᾶς, ²¹ τοὺς δι’ αὐτοῦ πιστεύοντας§ εἰς Θεόν, τὸν ἐγείραντα αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν καὶ δόξαν αὐτῷ δόντα, ὥστε τὴν πίστιν ὑμῶν καὶ ἐλπίδα εἶναι εἰς Θεόν.

Born again through an eternal Word

²² Τὰς ψυχὰς ὑμῶν ἠγνικότες ἐν τῇ ὑπακοῇ τῆς ἀληθείας διὰ Πνεύματος,* εἰς φιλαδελφίαν ἀνυπόκριτον, ἐκ καθαρᾶς† καρδίας ἀλλήλους ἀγαπήσατε ἐκτενωῶς, ²³ ἀναγεγεννημένοι οὐκ ἐκ σποράς φθαρτῆς ἀλλ’‡ ἀφθάρτου, διὰ λόγου ζῶντος Θεοῦ καὶ μένοντος εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.§ ²⁴ Διότι· «Πᾶσα

† 1:18 ὑμων ἀναστροφης πατροπαραδοτου *rell* | 132 C [12%] | four further variants ‡ 1:20 ἐσχατων **f**³⁵ (**φ**⁷²) [91%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ἐσχατου (κ)A,B,C [9%] NU § 1:21 πιστευοντας **f**³⁵ **φ**⁷²κC [94.2%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | πιστευσαντας [5%] | πιστους A,B [0.8%] NU * 1:22 δια πνευματος **f**³⁵ (92.4%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — **φ**⁷²κA,B,C (7.6%) NU † 1:22 καθαρως **f**³⁵ **φ**⁷²κC (99.4%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — A,B (0.6%) ‡ 1:23 ἀλλ **f**³⁵ C [40%] | ἀλλα **φ**⁷²κA,B [60%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU § 1:23 εἰς τον αιωνα **f**³⁵ (90.2%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | 13 (2.6%) | 1 τους αιωνας (1.2%) | — **φ**⁷²κA,B,C (6%) NU

σὰρξ ὡς* χόρτος, καὶ πᾶσα δόξα ἀνθρώπου†
ὡς ἄνθος χόρτου. Ἐξηράνθη ὁ χόρτος, καὶ τὸ
ἄνθος αὐτοῦ‡ ἐξέπεσεν, τὸ δὲ ῥῆμα Κυρίου
μένει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.»²⁵ Τοῦτο δὲ ἐστὶν τὸ
ῥῆμα τὸ εὐαγγελισθὲν εἰς ὑμᾶς.

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To grow you must eat

¹ Ἀποθέμενοι οὖν πᾶσαν κακίαν—καὶ πάντα
δόλον καὶ ὑποκρίσεις καὶ φθόνους, καὶ πάσας
καταλαλιάς — ² ὡς ἀρτιγέννητα βρέφη τὸ
λογικὸν ἄδολον γάλα ἐπιποθήσατε, ἵνα
ἐν αὐτῷ ἀύξηθῆτε εἰς σωτηρίαν,* ³ εἴπερ†
ἐγεύσασθε ὅτι χρηστὸς‡ ὁ Κύριος. ⁴ Πρὸς ὃν
προσερχόμενοι, λίθον ζῶντα—ὑπὸ ἀνθρώπων
μὲν ἀποδεδοκιμασμένον παρὰ δὲ Θεῶ
ἐκλεκτόν, ἔντιμον — ⁵ καὶ αὐτοί, ὡς λίθοι
ζῶντες, οἰκοδομεῖσθε§ οἶκος πνευματικός,
ιεράτευμα* ἅγιον, ἀνενέγκαι πνευματικὰς

* 1:24 ὡς *rell* | ὡσει κ | — A [9%] † 1:24 ἀνθρώπου **f**³⁵
[90%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | αὐτης **ϣ**⁷²_{A,B,C} [9%] NU | αὐτου κ |
one other variant ‡ 1:24 αὐτου **f**³⁵ C [90%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP
| αὐτης [1%] | — **ϣ**⁷²_{κA,B} [9%] NU * 2:2 εἰς σωτηρίαν **f**³⁵
(**ϣ**⁷²)_{κA,B,C} [65%] OC,NU | — [35%] RP,HE,TR,CP (OC is in small
print.) † 2:3 εἴπερ **f**³⁵ C [99%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | εἰ (**ϣ**⁷²)_{κA,B}
[1%] NU ‡ 2:3 χρηστὸς **f**³⁵ _{κA,B,C} [48%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU
| χριστός **ϣ**⁷² [52%] (The change from ‘gracious’ to ‘Christ’ is
so obvious as to be almost involuntary; if ‘Christ’ were original
it is scarcely credible that anyone would change it to ‘gracious’.)
§ 2:5 οἰκοδομεῖσθε **f**³⁵ **ϣ**⁷²_{A,B} [75%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU |
εἰκοδομεῖσθε κC [25%] * 2:5 ἱεράτευμα **f**³⁵ [90%]
RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | εἰς 1 **ϣ**⁷²_{κA,B,C} [10%] NU

Θυσίας εὐπροσδέκτους τῷ† Θεῷ διὰ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

The Chief Cornerstone

⁶ Διότι‡ περιέχει ἡ § Γραφή· «Ἰδοῦ, τίθημι ἐν Σιών λίθον ἀκρογωνιαῖον, ἐκλεκτόν, ἔντιμον, καὶ ὁ πιστεύων ἐπ' αὐτῷ οὐ μὴ καταισχυθη.» ⁷ Ὑμῖν οὖν ἡ τιμὴ τοῖς πιστεύουσιν, ἀπειθοῦσιν* δέ, «λίθον† ὃν ἀπεδοκίμασαν οἱ οἰκοδομοῦντες, οὗτος ἐγενήθη εἰς κεφαλὴν γωνίας,» ⁸ καὶ «λίθος προσκόμματος καὶ πέτρα σκανδάλου»· οἱ προσκόπτουσιν τῷ λόγῳ ἀπειθοῦντες, εἰς ὃ, καί, ἐτέθησαν.‡

A royal priesthood

⁹ Ὑμεῖς δὲ γένος ἐκλεκτόν, βασιλείου ἱεράτευμα, ἔθνος ἅγιον, λαὸς εἰς περιποίησιν, ὅπως τὰς ἀρετὰς ἐξαγγείλητε§ τοῦ ἐκ σκότους ὑμᾶς καλέσαντος εἰς τὸ θαυμαστὸν αὐτοῦ φῶς· ¹⁰ οἱ ποτε οὐ λαὸς νῦν δὲ λαὸς Θεοῦ, οἱ οὐκ ἠλεημένοι νῦν δὲ ἐλεηθέντες.

† 2:5 τῷ f³⁵ ϣ⁷² [96.5%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — κA,B,C [3.5%] ‡ 2:6 διοτι f³⁵ ϣ⁷² κA,B,C [98%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | διο και [1%] TR | διο [1%] § 2:6 ἡ f³⁵ C [35%] | εν τη [59%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | εν ϣ⁷² κA,B [6%] NU (η γραφη is the subject of the verb, περιεχει, active voice; the change to the familiar 'in the' would be almost unthinking.) * 2:7 απειθουσιν f³⁵ A [92%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | απιστευσιν ϣ⁷² κB,C [8%] NU † 2:7 λιθον f³⁵ κ [95%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | λιθος ϣ⁷² A,B,C [5%] NU ‡ 2:8 [What is the antecedent of ὃ, the finite verb or the participle? Being higher in rank the finite form presumably takes precedence.] § 2:9 εξαγγελιητε *rell* | εξαγγελλητε [14%]

Your practice should be consistent with your standing

11 Ἀγαπητοί, παρακαλῶ (ὡς παροίκους καὶ παρεπιδήμους) ἀπέχεσθαι* τῶν σαρκικῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν, αἵτινες στρατεύονται κατὰ τῆς ψυχῆς, 12 τὴν ἀναστροφὴν ὑμῶν ἔχοντες καλὴν ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν,† ἴνα, ἐν ᾧ καταλαλοῦσιν‡ ὑμῶν ὡς κακοποιῶν, ἐκ τῶν καλῶν ἔργων ἐποπτεύσαντες§ δοξάσωσιν τὸν Θεὸν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ ἐπισκοπῆς.

Respect civil authority

13 Ὑποτάγητε οὖν* πάσῃ ἀνθρωπίνῃ κτίσει διὰ τὸν Κύριον, εἴτε βασιλεῖ ὡς ὑπερέχοντι, 14 εἴτε ἡγεμόσιν ὡς δι' αὐτοῦ πεμπομένοις, εἰς ἐκδίκησιν μὲν† κακοποιῶν ἔπαινον δὲ ἀγαθοποιῶν. 15 Ὅτι οὕτως ἐστὶν τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἀγαθοποιοῦντας φιμοῦν τὴν τῶν ἀφρόνων ἀνθρώπων ἀγνωσίαν. 16 ὡς ἐλεύθεροι (καὶ μὴ ὡς ἐπικάλυμμα ἔχοντες

* 2:11 ἀπεχεσθαι f³⁵ κB [75%] RP,HE,TR,CP,NU | ἀπεχεσθε ϣ⁷²A,C [25%] OC (Direct, or indirect, speech?) † 2:12 εχοντες καλην εν τοις εθνεσιν f³⁵ [86%] RP,HE,OC,CP | 34512 (κ)A,C [9%] TR,NU | 34521 ϣ⁷² [1.4%] | 21345 [1%] | 3452 B | three further variants ‡ 2:12 καταλαουσιν f³⁵ ϣ⁷²κA,B,C [52%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | καταλαλωσιν [48%] § 2:12 εποπτευσαντες f³⁵ A [83%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | υποπτευσαντες [5%] | εποπτεουντες ϣ⁷²κB,C [12%] NU (The critics have already observed the good deeds—they know their criticism is false.) * 2:13 ουν f³⁵ [95%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϣ⁷²κA,B,C [5%] NU † 2:14 μεν f³⁵ C [52%] OC,TR,CP | — ϣ⁷²κA,B [48%] RP,HE,NU (OC is in small print.)

τῆς κακίας τὴν ἐλευθερίαν), ἀλλ' ὡς δοῦλοι Θεοῦ.‡ 17 Πάντας τιμήσατε· τὴν ἀδελφότητα ἀγαπήσατε·§ τὸν Θεὸν φοβεῖσθε· τὸν βασιλέα τιμᾶτε.

A word to servants

18 Οἱ οἰκέται, ὑποτασσόμενοι ἐν παντὶ φόβῳ τοῖς δεσπόταις, οὐ μόνον τοῖς ἀγαθοῖς καὶ ἐπεικέσιν ἀλλὰ καὶ τοῖς σκολιοῖς. 19 Τοῦτο γὰρ χάρις,* εἰ διὰ συνείδησιν Θεοῦ† ὑποφέρει τις λύπας, πάσχων ἀδίκως. 20 Ποῖον γὰρ κλέος εἰ ἁμαρτάνοντες καὶ κολαφιζόμενοι ὑπομενεῖτε;‡ Ἀλλ' εἰ ἀγαθοποιῶντες καὶ πάσχοντες ὑπομενεῖτε, τοῦτο χάρις παρὰ τῷ§ Θεῷ.

Christ gave the example

21 Εἰς τοῦτο γὰρ καὶ* ἐκλήθητε, ὅτι καὶ Χριστὸς ἔπαθεν ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν,†

‡ 2:16 δουλοι Θεου f³⁵ A [90%] RP,HE,OC,TR(CP) | 21 (p⁷²)κΒ,С [10%] NU § 2:17 αγαπησατε f³⁵ [71%] RP,HE | αγαπατε p⁷²κΑ,В,С [24%] OC,TR,CP,NU | — [5%] * 2:19 χαρις f³⁵ p⁷²κΑ,В [81.6%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 1 παρα τω Θεω C [9%] | 1 παρα Θεω [8%] | 1 Θεω [0.8%] | 1 Θεου [0.6%] † 2:19 Θεου f³⁵ κΒ [84%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | αγαθην C [14%] | αγαθη 1 p⁷² [0.4%] | 1 αγαθην A [0.6%] | — [1%] ‡ 2:20 υπομενειτε *rell* | υπομενετε p⁷² [14%] § 2:20 τω f³⁵ A [47%] | — p^{72,81v}κΒ,С [53%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU * 2:21 και f³⁵ p⁷² [23%] CP | — p⁸¹κΑ,В,С [77%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU (f³⁵ [K^T] is independent of K^X and has the earliest attestation; the και is emphatic.) † 2:21 ημων f³⁵ (85.3%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | υμων (p^{72,81v})(κΑ)В,С^v (14.7%) NU

ὕμῃν‡ ὑπολιμπάνων ὑπογραμμὸν ἵνα ἐπακολουθήσητε τοῖς ἴχνεσιν αὐτοῦ· 22 ὃς ἄμαρτίαν οὐκ ἐποίησεν, οὐδὲ εὐρέθη δόλος ἐν τῷ στόματι αὐτοῦ· 23 ὃς λοιδορούμενος οὐκ ἀντελοιδορεῖ, πάσχω· οὐκ ἠπεῖλει παρεδίδου δὲ τῷ κρίνοντι δικαίως· 24 ὃς τὰς ἁμαρτίας ἡμῶν αὐτὸς ἀνήνεγκεν ἐν τῷ σώματι αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ τὸ ξύλον, ἵνα ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις ἀπογενόμενοι τῇ δικαιοσύνῃ ζήσωμεν· οὐ τῷ μῶλωπι αὐτοῦ§ ἰάθητε. 25 Ἦτε γὰρ ὡς πρόβατα πλανώμενα,* ἀλλ'† ἐπεστράφητε‡ νῦν ἐπὶ τὸν Ποιμένα καὶ Ἐπίσκοπον τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.§

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A word to wives

‡ 2:21 ὑμῖν f³⁵ (ϕ^{72,81v}κA,B,C^v) (85%) RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | ημῖν (15%) TR (For the four word sequence, επαθεν υπερ ημων υμιν, there are at least sixteen variations. Taking these last two sets together, NU has both pronouns in the 2nd person, while TR has both in the 1st person.) § 2:24 αὐτοῦ f³⁵ κ [71%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϕ^{72,81v}A,B,C [29%] NU [Note that μῶλωπι is singular ('wound'), not plural ('stripes').] * 2:25 πλανώμενα f³⁵ ϕ⁷²C [96.5%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | πλανώμενοι κA,B [3.5%] NU † 2:25 ἀλλ f³⁵ ϕ⁷²κA,C [99.8%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,ECM | ἀλλὰ B [alone] NU ‡ 2:25 ἐπεστράφητε f³⁵ ϕ⁷²A,B [75%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | ἐπιστράφητε κ [20%] | ἐπεστρεψατε C [2.5%] | ἐπιστρεψατε [2.5%] (Indicative or imperative? With this verb the aorist passive is commonly used with active sense.) § 2:25 ημῶν f³⁵ [50%] CP | ὑμῶν ϕ⁷²κA,B,C [50%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU (Both make good sense; to be, or not to be, inclusive.)

1 Ὁμοίως, αἱ* γυναῖκες, ὑποτασσόμεναι τοῖς ἰδίοις ἀνδράσιν, ἵνα καὶ εἴ τινες† ἀπειθοῦσιν τῷ λόγῳ, διὰ τῆς τῶν γυναικῶν ἀναστροφῆς, ἄνευ λόγου, κερδηθήσονται‡ 2 (ἐποπτεύσαντες τὴν ἐν φόβῳ ἀγνὴν ἀναστροφήν ὑμῶν), 3 ὣν ἔστω οὐχ ὁ ἕξωθεν ἐμπλοκῆς§ τριχῶν καὶ περιθέσεως χρυσίων, ἢ ἐνδύσεως ἱματίων κόσμος, 4 ἀλλ' ὁ κρυπτὸς τῆς καρδίας ἄνθρωπος, ἐν τῷ ἀφάρτῳ τοῦ πραέος καὶ ἡσυχίου* πνεύματος, ὃ ἐστὶν ἐνώπιον τοῦ† Θεοῦ πολυτελής. 5 Οὕτως γάρ ποτε καὶ αἱ ἅγιοι γυναῖκες αἱ ἐλπίζουσαι ἐπὶ τὸν‡ Θεὸν ἐκόσμουν ἑαυτάς, ὑποτασσόμεναι τοῖς ἰδίοις ἀνδράσιν, 6 ὡς Σάρρα ὑπήκουσεν τῷ Ἀβραάμ,§

* 3:1 αἱ f³⁵ p⁷²C [94%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | και 1 [3%] | δε και 1 [2%] | — p⁸¹KA,B [1%] | two other variants
† 3:1 και ει τινες f³⁵ p⁷²KA [80%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 213 C [10%] | 23 p⁸¹VB [3%] | 1 οιτινες [6%] | οιτινες [1%]
‡ 3:1 κερδηθησονται f³⁵ p⁷²KA,B,C [98%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | κερδησονται [1%] | κερδηθησωνται [1%] TR § 3:3 εμπλοκης f³⁵ p⁷²KA,B [81%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | εν πλοκης C [8%] | εκ πλοκης [10%] | two further variants * 3:4 πραεος και ησυχίου f³⁵ A,C [74%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | 13 κ [0.4%] | πραεως 23 p⁷² [25%] NU | 32 πραεως B [0.2%] | two more variants † 3:4 του rell | — [20%] ‡ 3:5 επι τον f³⁵ κ [81%] OC,TR,CP | εις 2 [7%] | 1 [3%] RP,HE | εις p⁷²A,B,C [9%] NU § 3:6 αβρααμ f³⁵ [50%] | αβρααμ KA,B,C [50%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU (When Jehovah changed Abram's name to Abraham [Genesis 17:5] the intervocalic aspiration in Hebrew is adequately represented in English by 'h'; but so far as I know, there is no way in Greek to indicate intervocalic aspiration within a word—the only alternative to losing the aspiration altogether would be to place it at the beginning of the word.)

κύριον αὐτὸν καλοῦσα, ἧς ἐγενήθητε* τέκνα ἀγαθοποιούσαι καὶ μὴ φοβούμεναι μηδεμίαν πτόησιν.

A word to husbands

7 Οἱ ἄνδρες, ὁμοίως, συνοικοῦντες κατὰ γνώσιν ὡς ἀσθενεστέρῳ σκεύει τῷ γυναικείῳ, ἀπονέμοντες τιμὴν ὡς καὶ συγκληρονόμοι† χάριτος ζωῆς,‡ εἰς τὸ μὴ ἐγκόπτεσθαι§ τὰς προσευχὰς ὑμῶν.

The golden rule

8 Τὸ δὲ τέλος, πάντες ὁμόφρονες, συμπαθεῖς, φιλάδελφοι, εὐσπλαγχνοὶ, φιλόφρονες,* 9 μὴ ἀποδιδόντες κακὸν ἀντὶ κακοῦ ἢ λοιδορίαν ἀντὶ λοιδορίας, τούναντίον δὲ εὐλογοῦντες, εἰδότες† ὅτι εἰς τοῦτο ἐκλήθητε ἵνα εὐλογίαν κληρονομήσητε. 10 «Ὁ γὰρ θέλων ζωὴν ἀγαπᾶν καὶ ἡμέρας ἰδεῖν‡ ἀγαθὰς παυσάτω τὴν γλῶσσαν αὐτοῦ§ ἀπὸ κακοῦ καὶ χεῖλη

* 3:6 ἐγεννηθητε f³⁵ ρ^{81v} κ^{A,B,C} [63%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU | ἐγεννηθητε ρ⁷² [35%] CP | ἐγεννηθη [2%] (The extra nu is presumably a mistake.) † 3:7 συγκληρονομοὶ f³⁵ (A,C) [90%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | συγκληρονομοῖς ρ⁸¹ (ρ^{72B}) [9%] NU | συγκληρονομοὺς κ | two other readings ‡ 3:7 χάριτος ζωῆς f³⁵ ρ^{81v} κ^{A,B,C} [58%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 1 ζωῆς [35%] | ποικιλῆς 12 κ^A [7%] | 12 αἰωνίου ρ⁷² § 3:7 ἐγκόπτεσθαι f³⁵ ρ⁸¹ (κ) ^{A,B} [70%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | ἐκκόπτεσθαι ρ^{72C} [30%] TR * 3:8 φιλόφρονες f³⁵ (73.3%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ταπεινοφρονες ρ^{72,81v} κ^{A,B,C} (22.3%) NU | several conflation that garner (4.4%) † 3:9 εἰδοτες f³⁵ (90.3%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ρ^{72,81} κ^{A,B,C} (9.7%) NU ‡ 3:10 ἡμερας ἰδειν f³⁵ C [26%] | 21 ρ^{72,81v} κ^{A,B} [74%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU (f³⁵ [K^r] is independent of K^x.) § 3:10 αὐτου f³⁵ κ [95%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ρ^{72,81} ^{A,B,C} [5%] NU

αὐτοῦ* τοῦ μὴ λαλῆσαι δόλον· ¹¹ ἐκκλινάτω ἀπὸ† κακοῦ καὶ ποιησάτω ἀγαθόν· ζητησάτω εἰρήνην, καὶ διωξάτω αὐτήν. ¹² Ὅτι‡ ὀφθαλμοὶ Κυρίου ἐπὶ δικαίους, καὶ ὦτα αὐτοῦ εἰς δέησιν αὐτῶν· πρόσωπον δὲ Κυρίου ἐπὶ ποιῶντας κακά.»§

Better to suffer than to sin

¹³ Καὶ τίς ὁ κακώσων ὑμᾶς ἐὰν τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ μιμηταὶ* γένησθε; ¹⁴ Ἄλλ' εἰ καὶ πάσχοιτε† διὰ δικαιοσύνην, μακάριοι. «Τὸν δὲ φόβον αὐτῶν μὴ φοβηθῆτε, μηδὲ ταραχθῆτε.» ¹⁵ Κύριον δὲ τὸν Θεὸν‡ ἀγιάσατε ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν, ἔτοιμοι δὲ§ ἀεὶ πρὸς ἀπολογίαν παντὶ τῷ αἰτοῦντι ὑμᾶς λόγον περὶ τῆς ἐν ὑμῖν ἐλπίδος,* μετὰ πραύτητος† καὶ φόβου· ¹⁶ συνείδησιν ἔχοντες ἀγαθήν, ἵνα

* **3:10** αυτου f³⁵ [89%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϕ^{72,81v} κA,B,C [11%] NU † **3:11** απο f³⁵ κ [93%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | δε 1 ϕ⁷² A,B,C [7%] NU ‡ **3:12** οτι f³⁵ ϕ^{72,81} κA,B,C [98%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | 1 οι [2%] TR § **3:12** κακα f³⁵ ϕ⁷² κA,B,C [93%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU | 1 του εξολοθρευσαι αυτους εκ γης [7%] CP * **3:13** μιμηται f³⁵ [75%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ζηλωται (ϕ⁷² κ)A(B)C [25%] NU † **3:14** ει και πασχοιτε f³⁵ ϕ⁷² (κ)B,C [82%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU | 213 [8%] | 12 πασχετε [5.5%] CP | 1 δε 23 A [4.5%] ‡ **3:15** θεον f³⁵ [94%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | χριστου ϕ⁷² κA,B,C [6%] NU § **3:15** δε f³⁵ [83%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϕ⁷² κA,B,C [17%] NU * **3:15** ελπιδος f³⁵ [81%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | 1 αλλα ϕ⁷² κA,B,C [19%] NU † **3:15** πραυτητος *rell* | πραοτητος [15%]

ἐν ᾧ καταλαλοῦσιν[‡] ὑμῶν ὡς κακοποιῶν,§
κατασχυνθῶσιν οἱ ἐπηρεάζοντες ὑμῶν τῇ
ἀγαθῇ ἐν Χριστῷ ἀναστροφῇ.* 17 Κρεῖττον
γὰρ ἀγαθοποιῶντας, εἰ θέλοι[†] τὸ θέλημα τοῦ
Θεοῦ, πάσχειν ἢ κακοποιῶντας.

Follow Christ's example to victory

18 Ὅτι καὶ Χριστὸς ἅπαξ περὶ ἁμαρτιῶν
ἔπαθεν,[‡] δίκαιος ὑπὲρ ἀδίκων, ἵνα ἡμᾶς§
προσαγάγη τῷ Θεῷ· θανατωθεὶς μὲν σαρκὶ
ζωοποιηθεὶς δὲ* πνεύματι· 19 ἐν ᾧ καὶ τοῖς
ἐν φυλακῇ πνεύμασιν πορευθεὶς ἐκήρυξεν,
20 ἀπειθήσασίν ποτε, ὅτε ἀπεξεδέχετο[†] ἡ
τοῦ Θεοῦ μακροθυμία ἐν ἡμέραις Νῶε,

[‡] 3:16 καταλαλουσιν f³⁵ κA,C (44.4%) RP,OC,CP |
καταλαλωσιν (50%) HF,TR | καταλαλεισθε ϕ⁷²B (5%)
NU | two other readings § 3:16 υμων ως κακοποιων f³⁵
κA,C (92.4%) RP,HF,OC,TR,CP | υμας 23 (2.4%) | — ϕ⁷²B (5.2%)
NU * 3:16 τη αγαθη εν χριστω αναστροφη f³⁵ [20%] |
την αγαθην 34 αναστροφην (κ)A,B [50%] RP,HF,OC,TR,CP,NU
| την 34 αγαθην αναστροφην ϕ⁷² [24%] | την 34 αγνην
αναστροφην C [1%] | την καλην 34 αναστροφην [4%] | — [1%]
(The dative is correct for the object of ἐπηρεάζω, but if copyists
were not familiar with the verb they would naturally 'correct'
to the accusative. ECM lists 15 variations for the 6-word phrase.)
† 3:17 θελοι f³⁵ ϕ⁷²κA,B,C [92%] RP,HF,OC,CP,NU | θελει [3%]
TR | — [5%] ‡ 3:18 επαθεν f³⁵ B [78%] RP,HF,OC,TR,CP,NU |
υπερ ημων 1 [6%] | απεθανεν C [3%] | υπερ ημων απεθανεν
(κ) [10%] | υπερ υμων απεθανεν ϕ⁷²A [3%] § 3:18 ημας f³⁵
A,C [64%] OC,TR,CP | υμας ϕ⁷²B [36%] RP,HF,NU | — κ * 3:18
δε f³⁵ κA,B,C [96%] RP,HF,OC,CP,NU | 1 τω [4%] TR | 1 εν ϕ⁷²
† 3:20 απεξεδεχετο f³⁵ ϕ⁷²κA,B,C [88%] RP,HF,OC,CP,NU |
απαξ εδεχετο [11%] | απαξ εξεδεχετο TR | three other readings

κατασκευαζομένης κιβωτοῦ, εἰς ἣν ὀλίγοι, †
 τοῦτ' ἔστιν ὀκτώ, ψυχὰι διεσώθησαν δι'
 ὕδατος· 21 ὃς ἀντίτυπον, νῦν καὶ ἡμᾶς* σῶζει,
 βάπτισμα (οὐ σαρκὸς ἀπόθεσις ῥύπου, ἀλλὰ
 συνειδήσεως ἀγαθῆς ἐπερώτημα εἰς Θεόν)
 δι' ἀναστάσεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, 22 ὃς ἔστιν
 ἐν δεξιᾷ τοῦ † Θεοῦ, πορευθεὶς εἰς οὐρανόν,
 ὑποταγέντων αὐτῷ ἀγγέλων καὶ ἐξουσιῶν
 καὶ δυνάμεων.

Some concluding instructions

4

Pursue the will of God

1 Χριστοῦ οὖν παθόντος ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν* σαρκί,
 καὶ ὑμεῖς τὴν αὐτὴν ἔννοιαν ὀπλίσασθε
 (ὅτι ὁ παθὼν σαρκὶ † πέπαυται ἀμαρτίας)
 2 εἰς τὸ μηκέτι ἀνθρώπων ἐπιθυμίαις ἀλλὰ
 θελήματι τοῦ † Θεοῦ τὸν ἐπίλοιπον ἐν
 σαρκὶ βιώσαι χρόνον. 3 Ἀρκετὸς γὰρ ὑμῖν §

† 3:20 ολιγοι f³⁵ C [87%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ολιγοι p⁷²κA,B
 [12%] NU | ο λογος [1%] § 3:21 ο f³⁵ A,B,C [84%]
 RP,HE,OC,TR,NU | ω [12%] CP | ου [1.5%] | — p⁷²κ [2.5%]
 * 3:21 αντιτυπον νυν και ημας f³⁵ [74%] RP,HE,OC(CP) | 123
 υμας [2%] | 3412 C [8%] TR | 3 υμας 12 p⁷²A,B [12%] NU
 | 3 υμας 21 κ (There are seven further variants that together
 garner 4%; ημας has about 85%.) † 3:22 του f³⁵ p⁷²A,C
 [99.4%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — κB [0.6%] * 4:1 υπερ
 ημων f³⁵ A (88.4%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | 1 υμων (κ) (7.2%) | —
 p⁷²B,C (4.4%) NU † 4:1 σαρκι f³⁵ p⁷²κA,B,C [76%] NU |
 εν 1 [24%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP (OC is in small print.) † 4:2 του f³⁵
 [22%] | — p⁷²κA,B,C [78%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU § 4:3 υμιν f³⁵
 κ (41.7%) HE,OC,CP | ημιν C (47.1%) RP,TR | — p⁷²A,B (11.2%)
 NU

ὁ παρεληλυθὼς χρόνος* τὸ θέλημα† τῶν ἔθνῶν κατεργάσασθαι‡—πεπορευμένους ἐν ἀσελγείαις, ἐπιθυμίαις, οἴνοφλυγίαις, κώμοις, πότοις, καὶ ἀθεμίτοις§ εἰδωλολατρίαις*—
 4 ἐν ᾧ ξενίζονται, μὴ συντρεχόντων ὑμῶν εἰς τὴν αὐτὴν τῆς ἀσωτίας ἀνάχυσιν, βλασφημοῦντες· 5 οἱ ἀποδώσουσιν λόγον τῷ ἐτοίμως ἔχοντι κρῖναι ζῶντας καὶ νεκρούς 6 (εἰς τοῦτο γὰρ καὶ νεκροῖς εὐηγγελίσθη, ἵνα κριθῶσι μὲν κατὰ ἀνθρώπους σαρκί, ζῶσι δὲ κατὰ Θεὸν πνεύματι).†

Redeem the time

7 Πάντων δὲ τὸ τέλος ἤγγικεν· σωφρονήσατε οὖν καὶ νήψατε εἰς τὰς‡ προσευχάς. 8 Πρὸ

* 4:3 χρόνος f³⁵ ϣ⁷²κA,B,C [26%] NU | 1 του βιου [74%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP † 4:3 θελημα f³⁵ [87%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | βουλημα ϣ⁷²κA,B,C [13%] NU ‡ 4:3 κατεργασασθαι f³⁵ [89%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | κατειργασασθε C^V [3%] | κατειργασθαι ϣ⁷²(κ)A,B [6%] NU | three further variants [2%] § 4:3 και αθεμιτοις *rell* | — [1%] CP * 4:3 ειδωλολατρειαις f³⁵ κA,C [70%] OC,CP,NU | ειδωλολατρειαις B [30%] RP,HE,TR † 4:6 [This delightful verse has given commentators no end of exercise. Verse 5 ends with “judge living and dead”, but anyone who is dead was once alive, obviously, and the judgment will be based on what they did while alive, which is why everyone needs to be evangelized while in this life. There is no definite article with ‘dead’, either in verse 5 or 6, so Peter is referring to the ones who were evangelized in this life—he is not saying that EVERYONE has been or will be evangelized. Everyone will be judged, but to ‘live according to God in spirit’ one must respond adequately to the Gospel.] ‡ 4:7 τας f³⁵ [70%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϣ⁷²κA,B [30%] NU

πάντων δε§ τὴν εἰς ἑαυτοὺς ἀγάπην ἐκτενῆ ἔχοντες, ὅτι ἡ * ἀγάπη καλύπτει† πλήθος ἁμαρτιῶν· 9 φιλόξενοι εἰς ἀλλήλους ἄνευ γογγυσμῶν·‡ 10 ἕκαστος καθὼς ἔλαβεν χάρισμα, εἰς ἑαυτοὺς αὐτὸ§ διακονοῦντες ὡς καλοὶ οἰκονόμοι ποικίλης χάριτος Θεοῦ. 11 Εἴ τις λαλεῖ, ὡς λόγια Θεοῦ. Εἴ τις διακονεῖ, ὡς ἐξ ἰσχύος ὡς* χορηγεῖ ὁ Θεός, ἵνα ἐν πᾶσιν δοξάζεται Θεός† διὰ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὃ ἔστιν‡ ἡ δόξα καὶ τὸ κράτος εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας.§ Ἀμήν.

Suffering in the will of God

12 Ἀγαπητοί, μὴ ξενίζεσθε τῇ ἐν ὑμῖν πυρώσει πρὸς πειρασμὸν* ὑμῖν γινομένη, ὡς ξένου ὑμῖν συμβαίνοντος, 13 ἀλλὰ καθὼς κοινωνεῖτε τοῖς τοῦ Χριστοῦ παθήμασιν, χαίρετε, ἵνα καὶ ἐν τῇ ἀποκαλύψει τῆς δόξης αὐτοῦ χαρῆτε ἀγαλλιωμένοι. 14 Εἰ ὄνειδίξεσθε ἐν ὀνόματι Χριστοῦ, μακάριοι,

§ 4:8 δε f³⁵ [98%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — p⁷²κA^v,B [2%] NU

* 4:8 η f³⁵ [49%] OC | — p⁷²κA,B [51%] RP,HE,TR,CP,NU
(OC is in small print.) † 4:8 καλυπτει f³⁵ A,B [60%] NU |

καλυψει p⁷²κ [40%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP ‡ 4:9 γογγυσμων f³⁵ [83%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | γογγυσμου κA,B [17%] NU | γογγυζμου p⁷² | one other variant § 4:10 αυτο rell | αυτω [12%]

* 4:11 ως f³⁵ [69%] RP,HE,OC,CP | ης p⁷²κA,B [28%] TR,NU | — [3%] † 4:11 δοξαζεται Θεος f³⁵ [20%] | 1 ο 2 p⁷²κA,B [73%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | ο 21 [6%] | three other readings (The lack of the article emphasizes the inherent quality of the noun.)

‡ 4:11 εστιν rell | — A [13%] § 4:11 αιωνας f³⁵ p⁷² [27%] | 1 των αιωνων κA,B [73%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU (The reading of f³⁵ [K^r] is independent of K^x and has the earliest attestation.)

* 4:12 πειρασμον rell | πειρασμων [4%] CP

ὅτι τὸ τῆς δόξης† καὶ τὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ Πνεῦμα ἐφ' ὑμᾶς ἀναπέπαιται.‡ Κατὰ μὲν αὐτοὺς βλασφημεῖται, κατὰ δὲ ὑμᾶς δοξάζεται.§ 15 Μὴ γάρ τις ὑμῶν πασχέτω ὡς φονεὺς ἢ κλέπτης ἢ κακοποιὸς ἢ ὡς ἀλλοτριοεπίσκοπος.* 16 εἰ δὲ ὡς Χριστιανός, μὴ αἰσχυνέσθω, δοξαζέτω δὲ τὸν Θεὸν ἐν τῷ μέρει† τούτῳ. 17 Ὅτι ὁ † καιρὸς τοῦ ἄρξασθαι τὸ κρῖμα ἀπὸ τοῦ οἴκου τοῦ Θεοῦ· εἰ δὲ πρῶτον ἀφ' ἡμῶν,§ τί τὸ τέλος τῶν ἀπειθούντων τῷ τοῦ Θεοῦ εὐαγγελίῳ; 18 Καί, <εἰ ὁ δίκαιος μόλις σῶζεται, ὁ ἀσεβῆς καὶ ἀμαρτωλὸς* ποῦ φανεῖται;> 19 Ὡστε καὶ οἱ πάσχοντες κατὰ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὡς† πιστῶ Κτίστη, παρατιθέσθωσαν τὰς ψυχὰς

† 4:14 δοξης f³⁵ ϣ⁷²B (75.7%) RP,HE,TR,CP,NU | 1 και δυναμεως (κ)A (24.3%) OC ‡ 4:14 αναπεπαιται f³⁵ [39%] CP | επαναπαιεται A [6%] | επαναπεπαιται ϣ⁷² [2%] | αναπαιεται κB [52%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU | αναπεμπεται [1%] § 4:14 κατα μεν αυτους βλασφημεται κατα δε υμας δοξάζεται f³⁵ [83%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϣ⁷²κA,B [17%] NU * 4:15 αλλοτριοεπισκοπος f³⁵ [89%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | αλλοτριος επισκοπος A [4%] | αλλοτριοις επισκοπος ϣ⁷² | αλλοτριοεπισκοπος κB [7%] NU † 4:16 μερει f³⁵ [88%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,ECM | ονοματι ϣ⁷²κA,B [11%] NU | conflation [1%] ‡ 4:17 ο f³⁵ ϣ⁷²B [80%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — κA [20%] § 4:17 ημων *rell* | υμων κ [13%] * 4:18 ασεβης και αμαρτωλος f³⁵ B [87%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 321 ϣ⁷² [3%] | 12 ο 3 κA [10%] † 4:19 ως f³⁵ [94%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ϣ⁷²κA,B [6%] NU

αὐτῶν‡ ἐν ἀγαθοποιΐᾳ.§

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How to be a shepherd

¹ Πρεσβυτέρους τοὺς* ἐν ὑμῖν παρακαλῶ, ὁ † συμπρεσβύτερος καὶ μάρτυς τῶν τοῦ Χριστοῦ παθημάτων, ὁ καὶ τῆς μελλούσης ἀποκαλύπτεσθαι δόξης κοινωνός· ² ποιμάνατε τὸ ἐν ὑμῖν ποίμνιον τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἐπισκοποῦντες‡ μὴ ἀναγκαστῶς ἀλλ'§ ἐκουσίως·* μηδὲ αἰσχροκερδῶς ἀλλὰ προθύμως· ³ μηδὲ† ὡς κατακυριεύοντες τῶν κλήρων, ἀλλὰ τύποι γινόμενοι‡ τοῦ ποιμνίου. ⁴ Καὶ φανερωθέντος τοῦ Ἀρχιεπίμενος κομιεῖσθε τὸν ἀμαράντινον τῆς δόξης στέφανον.

Humility is a must

‡ 4:19 αὐτων f³⁵ ϣ⁷²κΑ [95%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | εαυτων [5%] TR | — B (Four of TRs five percent actually have εαυτων ψυχας.)
 § 4:19 αγαθοποια *rell* | αγαθοποιαις ϣ⁷²Α [13%] | one other reading * 5:1 τους f³⁵ [78%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | ουν 1 κ [17%] | ουν ϣ⁷²Α,Β [4%] NU | — [1%] † 5:1 ο f³⁵ ϣ⁷²κΑ,Β [89%] RP,HE,OC,TR,NU | ως [11%] CP | two other readings ‡ 5:2 επισκοποουντες f³⁵ ϣ⁷²Α (99.2%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — κΒ (0.8%) § 5:2 αλλ f³⁵ Α [97%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | αλλα ϣ⁷²κΒ [3%] ECM * 5:2 εκουσιως f³⁵ Β [86%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | 1 κατα Θεον ϣ⁷²κΑ [14%] NU † 5:3 μηδε f³⁵ ϣ⁷² [49%] RP,HE,CP | μηδ κΑ [50%] OC,TR,NU (B omits v. 3; two other readings.) ‡ 5:3 γινομενοι *rell* | γενομενοι [20%]

5 Ὁμοίως,§ νεώτεροι, ὑποτάγητε πρεσβυτέρους. Πάντες δὲ ἀλλήλοις ὑποτασσόμενοι,* τὴν ταπεινοφροσύνην ἐγκομβώσασθε, ὅτι «Ὁ† Θεὸς ὑπερηφάνους ἀντιτάσσεται, ταπεινοῖς δὲ δίδωσιν χάριν.»
6 Ταπεινώθητε οὖν ὑπὸ τὴν κραταιὰν χεῖρα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἵνα ὑμᾶς ὑψώσῃ‡ ἐν καιρῷ·§ 7 πᾶσαν τὴν μέριμναν ὑμῶν ἐπιρρίψαντες* ἐπ’ αὐτόν, ὅτι αὐτῷ μέλει† ὑπὲρ‡ ὑμῶν.

Guard against the devil

8 Νήψατε, γρηγορήσατε· ὅτι§ ὁ ἀντίδικος ὑμῶν διάβολος, ὡς λέων ὠρυόμενος, περιέρχεται,* ζητῶν τίνα† καταπιεῖν·‡ 9 ὧ

§ 5:5 ομοίως f³⁵ ρ⁷²A,B [74%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 1 δε κ [1%] | 1 οι [5%] | 1 δε και [1%] | 1 δε οι [7%] | 1 και οι [5%] | 1 δε και οι [7%] | one other reading * 5:5 υποτασσομενοι f³⁵ (94%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | υποταγωμεν (1.4%) | — (ρ⁷²)κA,B (4.2%) NU | two other readings † 5:5 ο f³⁵ κA [99%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — ρ⁷²B [1%] ‡ 5:6 υμας υψωση f³⁵ ρ⁷²κA,B [79%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 21 [4%] | 1 υψωσει [14%] | υψωσει 1 [3%] § 5:6 καιρω f³⁵ ρ⁷²κB [85%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU | 1 επισκοπης A [14%] | 1 εν τω μελλοντι αιωνι [1%] * 5:7 επιρριψαντες f³⁵ [93%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | επιρριψαντες κA,B [4%] NU | απορριψαντες ρ⁷² | επιρριψατε [3%] † 5:7 μελει rell | μελλει [20%] ‡ 5:7 υπερ f³⁵ [35%] | περι ρ⁷²κA,B [65%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU (God does the caring for them, in their place.) § 5:8 οτι f³⁵ ρ⁷² [50%] TR | — κA,B [50%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU * 5:8 περιερχεται f³⁵ [24%] | περιπατει ρ⁷²κA,B [76%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,NU (The lion isn't ambling aimlessly; he is circling the prey, looking for an opening.) † 5:8 τινα f³⁵ ρ⁷²κA [99%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU]ECM | — B [1%] ‡ 5:8 καταπιειν f³⁵ (κ)B [53%] CP,NU | καταπει [25%] | καταπιη ρ⁷²A [22%] RP,HE,OC,TR

ἀντίστητε, στερεοὶ τῇ πίστει, εἰδότες τὰ αὐτὰ τῶν παθημάτων τῇ ἐν[§] κόσμῳ ὑμῶν ἀδελφότητι ἐπιτελεῖσθαι.*

Benediction

10 Ὁ δὲ Θεὸς πάσης χάριτος, ὁ καλέσας ὑμᾶς[†] εἰς τὴν αἰώνιον αὐτοῦ δόξαν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ,[‡] ὀλίγον παθόντας, αὐτὸς καταρτίσαι[§] ὑμᾶς*—στηριξαι,[†] σθενώσαι,[‡] θεμελιώσαι.[§]
11 Αὐτῷ ἢ δόξα καὶ τὸ κράτος* εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.[†] Ἀμήν.

Sign-off

12 Διὰ Σιλουανοῦ ὑμῖν τοῦ πιστοῦ ἀδελφοῦ, ὡς λογίζομαι, δι' ὀλίγων ἔγγραφα, παρακαλῶν καὶ ἐπιμαρτυρῶν ταύτην εἶναι ἀληθῆ χάριν

§ 5:9 ἐν ^f35 A [99.4%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP,ECM | 1 τῷ ^ϕ72(κ)B [0.6%] [NU] * 5:9 ἐπιτελεῖσθαι *rell* | ἐπιτελεισθε κA,B [12%] | ἐπιτελεῖται ^ϕ72 † 5:10 ὑμας ^f35 ^ϕ72κA,B [92%] RP,HE,OC,CP,NU | ἡμας [8%] TR ‡ 5:10 ἰησοῦ ^f35 ^ϕ72A [97%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP[NU] | — κ(B) [3%] ECM § 5:10 καταρτίσαι ^f35 [88%] RP,HE,TR,CP | καταρτίσει ^ϕ72κA,B [12%] OC,NU | two other readings * 5:10 ὑμας ^f35 [88%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ^ϕ72κA,B [12%] NU † 5:10 στηριξαι ^f35 [33%] TR,CP | στηριξει ^ϕ72κA,B [66%] RP,HE,OC,NU | στηριξοι [1%] (Future indicative or aorist optative?) ‡ 5:10 σθενωσαι ^f35 [30%] TR,CP | σθενωσει κA,B [66%] RP,HE,OC,NU | σθενωσοι [1%] | — ^ϕ72 [3%] | one other variant § 5:10 θεμελιωσαι ^f35 [30%] TR,CP | θεμελιωσει ^ϕ72κ [66%] RP,HE,OC,NU | θεμελιωσοι [1%] | — A,B [3%] * 5:11 ἡ δοξα και το κρατος ^f35 κ (59.6%) RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | 125 (31.3%) | 45312 (7%) | το (-το ^ϕ72) κρατος ^ϕ72A,B (0.8%) NU (Three other readings; the evidence for ἡ δοξα is massive.) † 5:11 των αιωνων ^f35 κA [91%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — ^ϕ72B [9%] NU

τοῦ Θεοῦ εἰς ἣν ἐστήκατε.‡ 13 Ἀσπάζεταιται ὑμᾶς ἢ ἐν Βαβυλῶνι συνεκλεκτή· καὶ Μᾶρκος, ὁ υἱός μου. 14 Ἀσπάσασθε ἀλλήλους ἐν φιλήματι ἀγάπης.

Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν, πᾶσιν τοῖς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ.§

‡ 5:12 ἐστηκατε f³⁵ [92%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | στητε p⁷² κA,B [8%] NU | two other readings § 5:14 ἰησου f³⁵ κ [95%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — A,B [5%] NU

Ἀμήν. *,†

* 5:14 αμην f³⁵ κ [97%] RP,HE,OC,TR,CP | — A,B [3%] NU (p⁷² omits the whole last sentence.) † 5:14 The citation of f³⁵ is based on forty-three MSS—18, 35, 141, 149, 201, 204, 328, 386, 394, 432, 604, 664, 757, 824, 928, 986, 1072, 1075, 1100, 1248, 1249, 1503, 1548, 1637, 1725, 1732, 1754, 1761, 1768, 1855, 1864, 1865, 1876, 1892, 1897, 2221, 2352, 2431, 2466, 2554, 2587, 2626 and 2723—all of which I collated myself. 1865, 2554 and 2723 are very pure representatives of f³⁵ in 1 Peter, with not a single variant, as were the exemplars of 35 and 824. For 1865, 2554 and 2723 to have no variants after all the centuries of transmission is surely an eloquent demonstration of the faithfulness and accuracy of that transmission. Since these MSS come from all over the Mediterranean world (Sinai, Jerusalem, Patmos, Constantinople, Bucharest, Aegean, Trikala, Athens, Meteora, Sparta, Ochrida, Mt. Athos [nine different monasteries], Grottaferrata, Vatican, etc.) they are certainly representative of the family, giving us the precise family profile—it is reflected in the Text without exception. *ECM* collated 127 continuous text manuscripts (MSS) for 1 Peter, apart from a few fragments, which number represents about 20% of the extant (known) MSS. By a careful comparison of *TuT* and *ECM* I believe we can arrive at some reasonably close extrapolations. Thus I venture to predict, if complete collations ever become available, that for any non-Byzantine variants listed with 5 to 1% support (in my apparatus) the margin of error should not exceed ±1%; for non-Byzantine variants listed with 10 to 6% support the margin of error will hardly exceed ±2%; where there is some division among the Byzantine witnesses the margin of error will rarely exceed ±10%. However, I guarantee the witness of Family 35. Please see the last footnote for Matthew for further information.

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