

## HOW CAN I COMFORT SOMEONE WHO IS SUFFERING? (1 Peter 1:1-2)

### A. The Author ADDRESSES His Dispersed Audience (v. 1)

1. The author of this letter is \_\_\_\_\_.

\* How long had it been since Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension?

2. These people had been \_\_\_\_\_ from their homeland. (v. 1)

\* How did Peter know these believers?

\* What were these believers experiencing?

### B. The Author ENCOURAGES His Dispersed Audience (v. 2)

1. These believers were \_\_\_\_\_ by God for \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 2)

a. *God the Father's* role: Their salvation was in keeping with His \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2a)

\* What does "foreknowledge" mean?

\* Does this passage teach unconditional election?

**b.** *God the Spirit's* role: Their salvation was applied to them by their being \_\_\_\_\_  
by the Holy Spirit. (v. 2b)

\* What does "sanctification" mean?

\* Is this verse referring to positional or practical sanctification?

**c.** *God the Son's* role: Their salvation was made possible by the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. (v. 2c)

\* What does "obedience" mean in this context and verse?

\* What happened to us when we were sprinkled with Christ's blood at salvation?

\* How can you encourage another believer who is going through a very difficult trial?

\* How does this apply to you?