

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018

MORNING MESSAGE

“The Priority of Discipleship”

1 Peter 2:1-3

- I. WHAT IS DESTROYED (v.1)
 - A. Before you can receive the Word of God, some things need to be removed
 - 1. “Laying aside” means casting off like a piece of dirty clothing
 - B. Peter lists five sins that need to be destroyed
 - 1. Malice – the desire to hurt someone, especially with words or deeds
 - 2. Guile – dishonesty or deception
 - 3. Hypocrisy – to be known for something you really are not
 - 4. Envy – to desire something that someone else has
 - 5. Evil speaking – slander, gossip, backbiting, tattling
- II. WHAT IS DESIRED (v.2a)
 - A. Peter compares a new Christian to a newborn baby
 - 1. “Desire” means to long for
 - B. Six ways to feast on the Word of God
 - 1. Read the Word of God
 - 2. Hear the Word of God
 - 3. Study the Word of God
 - 4. Memorize the Word of God
 - 5. Meditate on the Word of God
 - 6. Apply the Word of God
- III. WHAT IS DECLARED (vv.2b-3)
 - A. The result of feasting on the Word of God is spiritual growth