



**“YOU CAN MAKE IT”**  
STAYING CLEAN IN A CORRUPT SOCIETY  
1 Peter 1:13-21

We live in a corrupt and evil world. The believer is faced with temptations and trials daily. It remains very difficult at times to keep pure in an impure world. How do we do it? Peter gives us some principles to apply in our lives.

**HOW CAN WE STAY CLEAN?**

- \_\_\_\_\_ v. 13-“gird up the loins of your mind” means pull your thoughts together. Peter instructs us to have a disciplined mind. **Heb 12:1; Rom 12:1**
- \_\_\_\_\_ v. 13-“sober” means not to become intoxicated. To be calmed, steady, have self control. Peter warns us not to lose spiritual control by experimenting with the worlds systems. **John 15:18-19**
- \_\_\_\_\_ v. 13-The believer must have a hopeful outlook. We will experience grace when we look at Him. We also experience it when expect His return.
- \_\_\_\_\_ v. 14

“conformed”-To be shaped by

“former lust”-Former life that include sinful desires and thoughts, evil longings, uncontrolled appetites, and sensual impulses. **Gal 5:16-21**

“ignorance”-Unsaved people lack spiritual intelligence, and this causes them to give themselves up to fleshly and worldly indulgences.

- \_\_\_\_\_ vv. 15-16

“holy”-set apart, separated for a unique purpose **1 Pet 2:9**

“conduct”-behavior

Holiness starts in the mind. God wants us to live different lives then the world we live in.

- \_\_\_\_\_ v. 17- Peter begins to address the judgment of God. Not the judgement of salvation, but works.
  - Our salvation is secure-When we trusted Christ, God forgave our sins and declared us righteous in His Son. **Rom 8:1-4**

- **Our sins have been judged on the cross**-That means they cannot be held against us. **Heb 10:10-18**
  - **There will be a time of judgment**-When the Lord returns, there will be a time of judgment called "the judgment seat of Christ". **Rom 14:10-12; 2 Cor 5:9-10**
  - **Though the believer may not gain any rewards, they still will be saved. 1 Cor 3:15**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **vv. 18-21**-The highest motivation to stay clean to remember the price He paid.

#### **PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE (APPLICATION)**

- ✓ **PAY CLOSE ATTENTION WHAT YOU LOOK AT**-Your eyes are the closest connection to your mind.
- ✓ **THINK ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES RATHER THAN THE IMMEDIATE PLEASURE**
- ✓ **REFOCUS ON CHRIST THROUGHOUT THE DAY**