

Series: 1 Peter – Keeping the Faith in Tough Times – Part 3 of 12
Scripture: 1 Peter 1:13-2:3
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HOW TO BE READY FOR THE STORMS OF LIFE!

If you want to make it through the storms of life I need to build a _____.

Matthew 7:24-29 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

Peter gives Christians six ways to build a solid foundation for the storms and struggles of life...

1. **ADJUST YOUR _____!**
1 Peter 1:13a *Therefore, prepare your minds for action;*
 - Our _____ determines our _____!
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2. **KEEP A _____!**
1 Peter 1:13b *...be self-controlled*
 - Are you a _____ or a _____!
3. **FOCUS ON THE _____!**
1 Peter 1:13c *...set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.*

Colossians. 3:1-3
Hebrews 12:2-3

4. **RESIST _____ TO _____!**
1 Peter 1:14 *As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance.*

Two reasons why we should be holy...

1. Because _____ is holy!
1 Peter 1:15-16 *But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."*
2. Because of the _____ that was paid!
1 Peter 1:17-21 *For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.*

5. **ACT WITH _____!**

- 1 Peter 2:22 *Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart.*
- We must respond to _____ situations in a _____ way. *Matthew 5:43-47*
- What does it mean to love others? *John 13:34*
- Where will I get the power to love?
1 Peter 1:23-25 *For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.*

6. **SEEK _____!**

- 1 Peter 2:1-3 *Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.*

Psalms 1:1-3