

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church
318 Auburn Ave, Pontiac, Michigan
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Bible Studies For Life Series - Young Adult/Adult Class

Being An Authentic Church
Built On Christ – Everything in the church centers on Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:1-12

The church is the Body of Christ, and it includes all believers, dead and alive. The local church is where believers live out their faith while in this world.

I. 1 Peter 2:1-5 (God wants every member of the church to grow in our faith)

A. We are saved and become members of the body of Jesus Christ or the church when we believe or place our trust in Him. (vs. 1-5)

Romans 10:9; Ephesians 1:13; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27; Colossians 1:18

B. God wants every member of the church to grow in our faith. (vs. 1-5)

2 Timothy 2:15; Ephesians 5:1-4; **2 Peter 1:5-8 (NLT)**

II. 1 Peter 2:6-8 (Believers will be honored but unbelievers put to shame)

A. Those who believe in Jesus Christ and strive to live by His Word will be honored by Him at His return. (vs. 6-7a)

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18; **Matthew 25:19-21 (NLT)**; Matthew 25:34-40

B. The unbelievers who reject Jesus Christ will be put to shame. (vs 6-8)

Revelation 20:12-15; Matthew 25:41, 45

III. 1 Peter 2:9-12 (Believers represent Jesus Christ in this World)

A. As believers, we must always remember that we represent Jesus Christ in this world, and we should live like it. (vs. 9-12)

Luke 6:46; Acts 1:8; **2 Corinthians 5:20 (AMP)**

B. As believers, we must also remember that sinful desires wage wars against our souls trying to make us fall. (vs. 10-11) (*Sinning is easy - Heb 12:1*)

James 1:13-15; Ephesians 6:10-11

Words of Encouragement:

“18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.”

Colossians 1:18 (**KJV**)

Next Lesson: Sharing Christ – Matthew 28:18-20; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21