

1 Peter 2:1-3 You Are What You Eat

6/14/09 - The Exchange

I. Review

- A. Reminded when trials come not to go back to our old ways but to be holy, to fear God because we were bought with the blood of Jesus.
- B. Reminded to love one another with a pure heart because we have been born again by the gospel given to us in the word of God.
- C. Reminding of who/what we are/can be. Gets very practical soon.

II. 2:1-3

A. 2:1

- 1. **Therefore** - because God's word is an incorruptible seed that grows in us, and because it lives and abides forever, and is the word by which we received the gospel
- 2. **laying aside** - participle, middle, we do this continually. to put off like the old man in Eph 4. To lay one garment off to the side like Stephen's killers.
- 3. **malice** - ill will toward others and acting upon it
- 4. **deceit, hypocrisy** - trickery in order to get something, acting.
- 5. **envy** - jealousy, wanting what someone else has
- 6. **evil speaking** - backbiting, slander, defamation
- 7. Where did this come from? All of these are things we do with regard to others. Why would Peter remind us to continually lay them aside? Because this is what we do when trials come, when our comparative lack become apparent. Look at what we can turn into.
  - a) Me and CC in Aberdeen.
  - b) Driving on NW 23rd, houses, shopping.

B. 2:2

- 1. **newborn babes** - call back to 1:3, 23. They are also innocent and incapable of these things. They are single minded on food.
- 2. **desire** - second person, imperative. The point of the "therefore." long for, sense of intimate connection in relationship and heartfelt absence. Paul longing to see ppl. Do we have this about Jesus and His word?
- 3. **pure** - unadulterated, unmixed, opposite of list above
- 4. **milk of the word, pure spiritual milk** - same as Rom. 12:1. logikos. The word, which is logical, reasonable, is also spiritual and nourishment.
- 5. **grow** - second person, passive. Spread, increase, extend, of plants and people. Who/What causes us to grow? The word.

C. 2:3

- 1. **If/Since indeed you have** - no question of it.
- 2. **tasted** - to try, to perceive the flavor, to eat
- 3. **gracious** - good, kindness.
- 4. Have you? Once you go mocha, it ain't no jocha. Do you have a BC/AD moment in your life?

- D. Reminded to desire the pure word of God instead of the junk food of the flesh.