

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ:

To those chosen, living as exiles dispersed abroad in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient and to be sprinkled with the blood of Jesus Christ.

May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

Christian, remember
who you are! (verse 1)

You are chosen by God.

Because you are precious in my sight
and honored, and I love you,
I will give people in exchange for you
and nations instead of your life.

- Isaiah 43:4

You are an exile in this world.

“At present we are on the outside of the world, the wrong side of the door. We discern the freshness and purity of morning, but they do not make us fresh and pure. We cannot mingle with the splendors we see. But all of the leaves of the New Testament are rustling with the rumor that it will not always be so. Some day, God willing, we shall get in.”

- C. S. Lewis

How did this all come
about? (verse 2)

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the Father

...through the sanctifying work of the
Spirit

...to be obedient and to be sprinkled with
the blood of Jesus Christ.