



Membership Matters

+ Week 1 – New Life In Christ
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New Life In Christ

Your Life In Christ

What is the **REQUIREMENT** for membership?

“And the Lord added to the church
daily such as should be saved.”

-Acts 2:47

*Personal Salvation is the
primary criteria for church
membership!*



How can I know I am a Christian?

I know that I am a Christian if:

- ❖ I walk in the light (1 John 1:7)
- ❖ I confess my sins (1 John 1:9)
- ❖ Obey His commandments (1 John 2:3)
- ❖ Do not practice a lifestyle of sin (1 John 3:9)
- ❖ Love my brothers and sisters in Christ (1 John 3:14)
- ❖ Believe in the Son of God (1 John 5:10)

What should I do after salvation?

- Matthew 28:19; 1 Peter 3:21
 - What action can believers take that provides external evidence of salvation?
 - How does the person identify with Christ in this public act?
- Matthew 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
 - What did Jesus instruct His disciples to do in each of these verses?
 - What special form of worship are believers today instructed to participate in together?
 - In what way does participating indicate fellowship with Christ?



What will my life
look like after
Salvation?
Galatians 5:22-23



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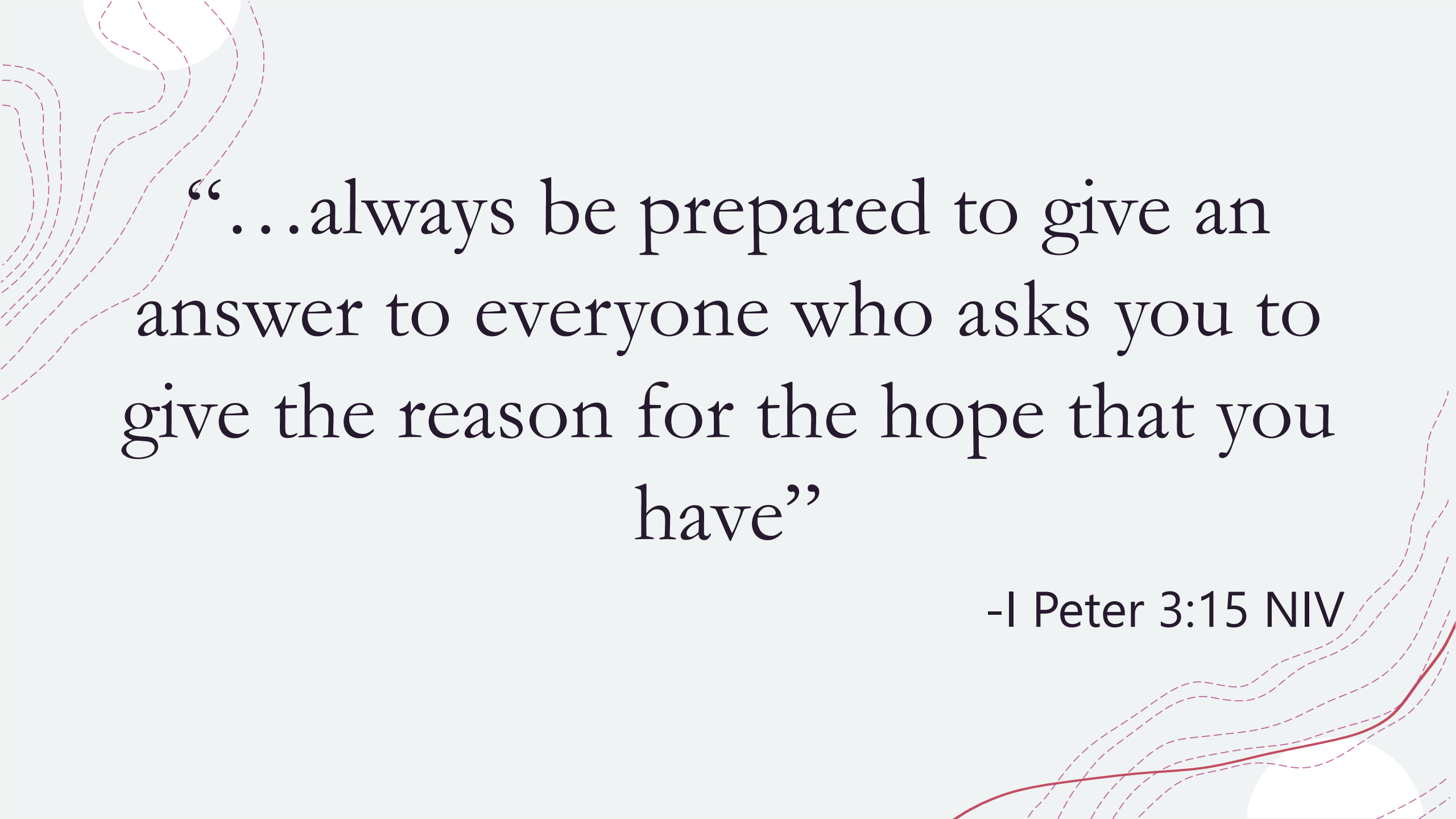
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Faith	100%
Meekness	100%
Temperance	100%

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New Life in Christ

Your story in Christ



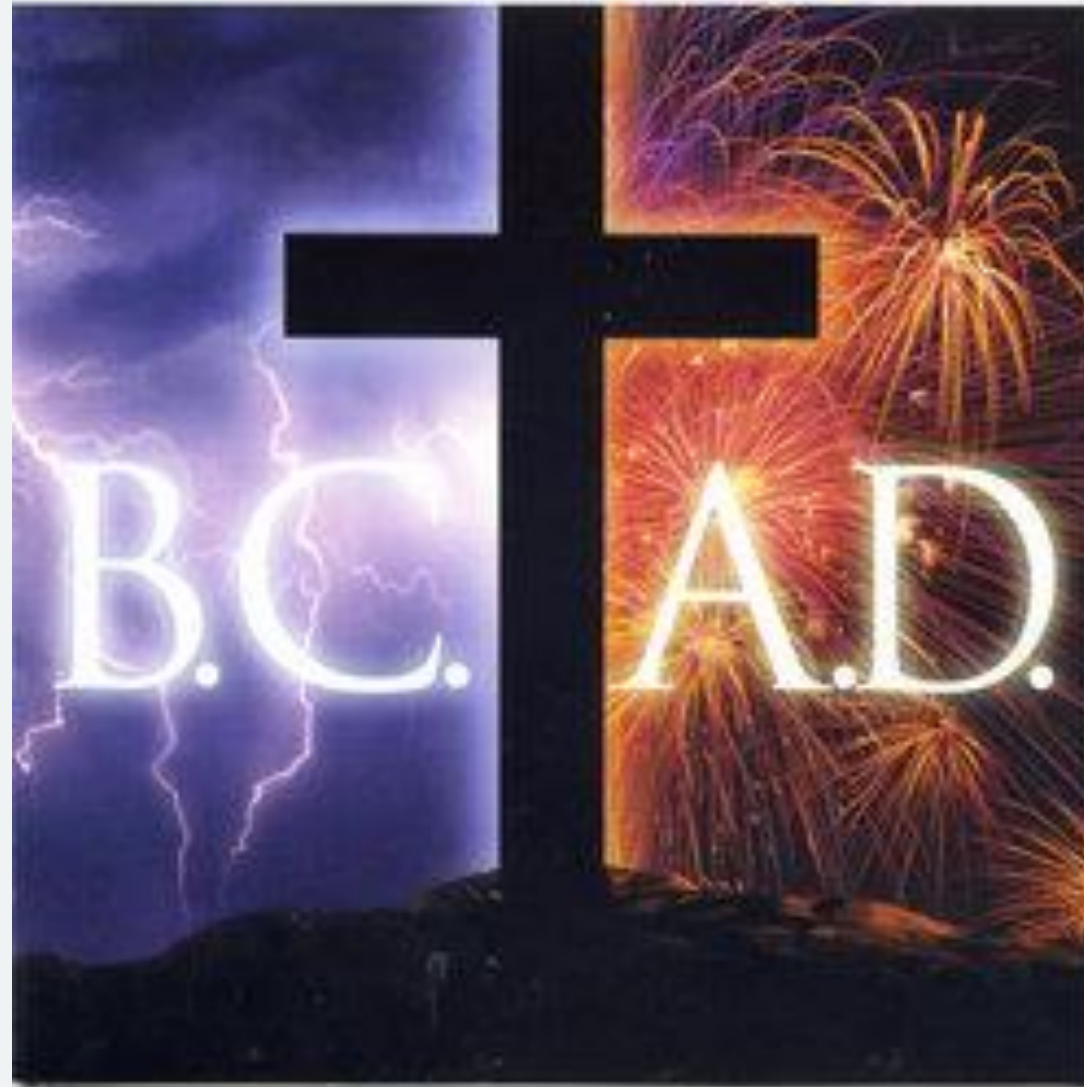
“...always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have”

-1 Peter 3:15 NIV

Who You Are-BC & AD

BC

**YOUR LIFE
BEFORE YOU
BEGAN A
RELATIONSHIP
WITH JESUS**



AD

**YOUR LIFE
AFTER
CHRIST
CAME IN**

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Testimony

This Is My Story... HOMEWORK

Answer the following questions and develop your story (“testimony”)

- ❖ **Who was I BC (“the old me”)** – Write one or two paragraphs to describe yourself before you were saved.
- ❖ **The Turning Point**– Describe what happened when you began your relationship with Jesus. What made you realize that He was the answer? What exactly did you do?
- ❖ **Who I Am AD (“the new me”)** – Describe how you are different since Jesus is living in you. How have your attitudes, your behaviors, and your relationships been impacted? Explain how you are growing and changing because Christ is in your life.

Scripture References (NIV)

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