

# The Trap of Sin

1 Peter 1: 13-25



**1 Peter 5: 8-9** Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

- Prowls.....looking...

**1 Peter 1:13** Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

- How can we stay alert?

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**Verse 14:** As obedient children, do not conform to evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance.

**Hebrews 5: 14** But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

- So we need to distinguish the good and evil.

**Hebrews 4:12** For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

**Verse 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."

**Proverbs 29: 6** Evildoers are snared by their own sin, but the righteous shout for joy and are glad.

**Proverbs 12:13** Evil doers are trapped by their sinful talk, and so the innocent escape trouble.

- How can we be set free?

**Matthew 5: 29-30**"If your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. "If your right hand makes you stumble, cut it off and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to go into hell.

**Verse 17- 19:** Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. 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 ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

"...empty way of life..."

**Verse 20-21:** He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

**How far will you go?**