With the Master in the Fiery Furnace—Questions to Consider—Lesson 16—1 Peter 3:18-22—Those Spirits in Prison

1. (a) Read the first three chapters of 1 Peter and list all the verses which refer to the death and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. (b) Also make note of any observations you see on the death

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and resurrection. For example: Christ's death was once in 1 Peter 3:18. (c) Why do you think Peter keeps emphasizing the death and resurrection of Christ?

- 2. Memorize 1 Peter 3:18.
- 3. (a) Why did God want to destroy mankind in the days of Noah, according to Genesis 6:5-13? (b) How long did He wait for mankind to repent while Noah built the ark, according to Genesis 6:3? (c) What does this teach you about God's patience with mankind? (d) Has mankind changed, according to Matthew 24:36-39?
- 4. (a) What do you notice about those being baptized, according to Matthew 3:6; Acts 2:38, 41; 8:36-38; 10:47 and 18:8? (b) Who was one of the first individuals to be baptized in Matthew 3:13-17? (c) What did God say about Him in verse 17? (d) Why do you think God was pleased? (e) Have you been baptized since your conversion? If not, why not?
- 5. (a) What is Jesus doing at the right hand of God, according to Romans 8:34 and 1 Peter 3:22? (b) How long will He be there, according to Psalm 110:1? (c) When will this happen, according to what John records for us in Revelation 20:7-15?
- 6. What do *you* think 1 Peter 3:19 means?
- 7. (a) What do *you* think Peter means in 1 Peter 3:21 where he states, "even baptism does also now save us?" (KJV) (b) How do you personally deal with portions of God's Word that are difficult for you to understand?
- 8. (a) Would you say that you have a clear conscience before God and others? (b) Is there anything that you need to make right with God or another individual? If so, do so today!
- 9. In considering question three, how has God shown patience towards you? Put your words into a prayer of thanksgiving to God.