

## Searching and inquiring carefully - 1 Peter 1:10-12

### Scratching The Surface

Have you ever lived as a foreigner? In what ways did you/do you feel different?  
Did this difference change how you acted? Why?

### The Heart Of The Matter

Read 1 Peter 1:10 – 12.

The speaker suggested that Peter wrote this because it gave his readers assurance and made Jesus the focal point of the prophets.

What did you take out of these two verses?  
Why do you think this would be relevant for his readers who were living as 'exiles'?

### Digging Deeper

The speaker suggested that the salvation of God has already happened – we are already completely saved – but it is also something we 'work out' continually, and will one day receive.

Do you agree? What does that mean to you and the way you live?

Read John 14:23. Jesus says God comes to us and makes his home here with us.  
How does this fit in with the idea of being an exile, far from home?

The speaker suggested that the kingdom of heaven is already establishing itself now on earth, as in heaven, and God is restoring the earth through his people right now.

Do you agree with this?

In what ways do you see the kingdom coming on earth as in heaven?