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  Steel ourselves for battle!
  - •Luke 9:23



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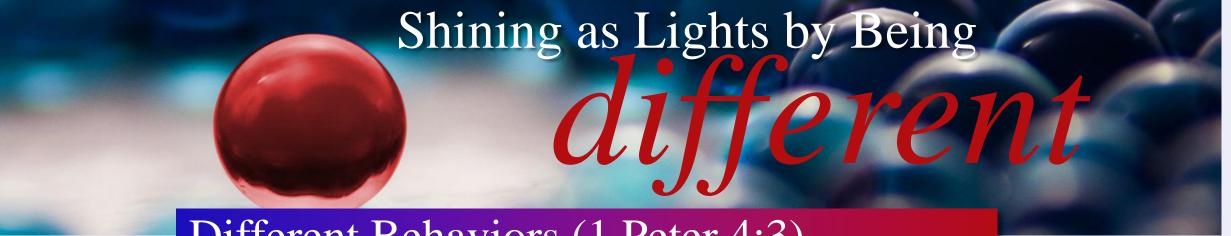
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- •What does this mean practically?!?



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- Different Behaviors (1 Peter 4:3)
- Sensuality (lewdness) is no longer part of our life
  Unrestrained sensuality
  - •Immodesty (1 Timothy 2:9-10)
    - •Christians present themselves before others in a way that is becoming of Christ
    - •Thoughtful of how they may affect others



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Immodesty (1 Timothy 2:9-10)
Suggestive dancing (Mark 6:21-24)



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1 Thessalonians 4:3-5



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  - •Ephesians 5:18
  - •When alcohol controls us, God does not



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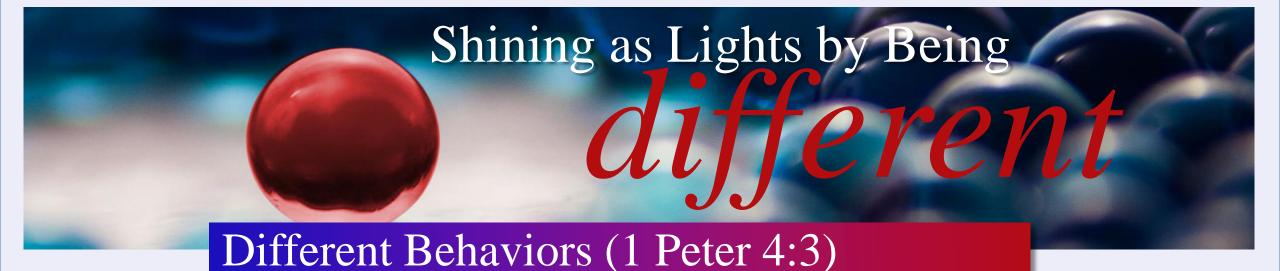
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- •Lawless idolatries are no longer...



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•We see what sin has done to us
•We see what sin has done to others
•We see what sin has did to our Savior



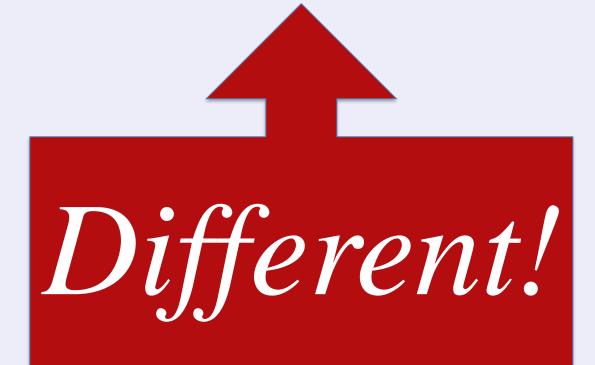
There are some things a Christian <u>just</u>
 <u>doesn't do anymore!</u>





•This passage speaks of the visible change from sinner to saint. People see it; it is striking







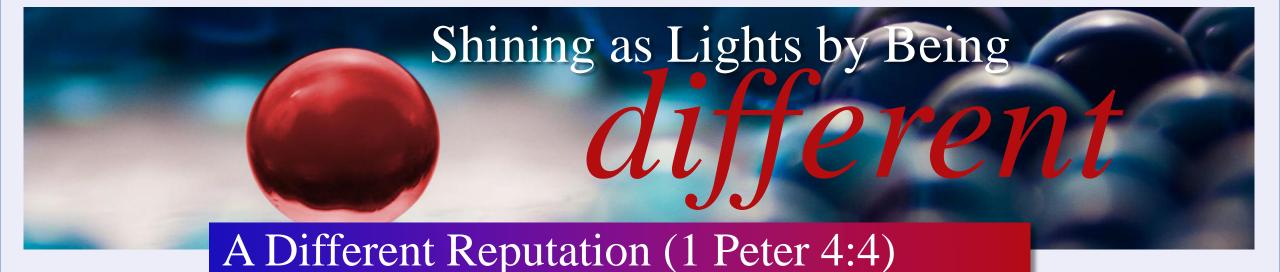
- The Christian's goal is to resist sin and sinners who entice us to sin
  - •They will call us names
  - •They will encourage us to sin



## •The Christian's greatest weapon is this:



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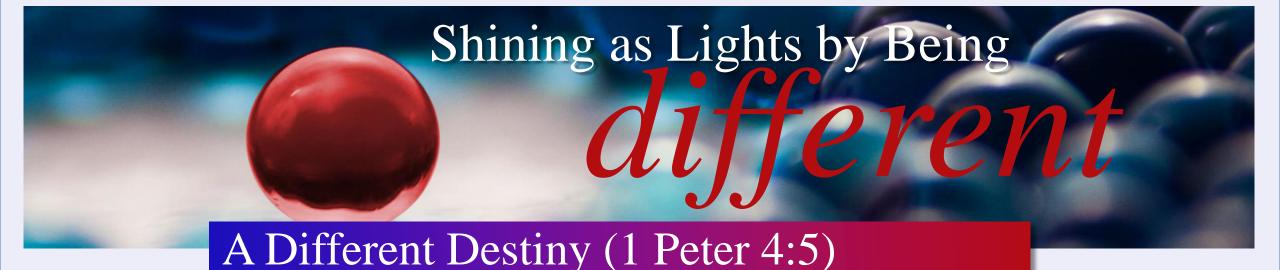
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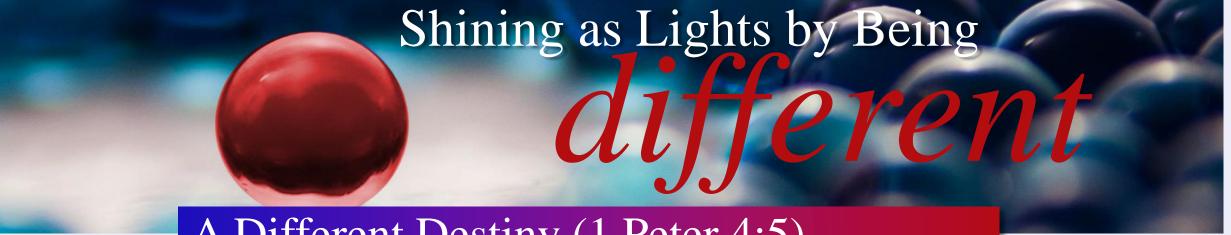
- •Those who stand against us will one day be punished. Why?
  - •Because they have not armed themselves with the thinking of Christ
  - •They have not followed the will of God
  - •They have not put aside sin
  - •God will hold them accountable



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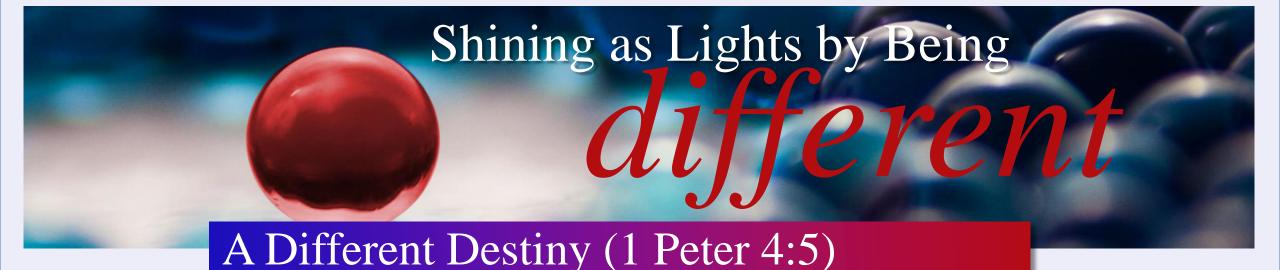


A Different Destiny (1 Peter 4:5)

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•As a result, we strive to be free from its power and practice as well



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•But, when we give ourselves over to its power, we once again assume its penalty: Hell





A Different Determination Different Behaviors A Different Reputation A Different Destiny