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The Blessing of Daily Study

"Every day some portion of time should be appropriated to the study of the lessons, not merely in learning to mechanically repeat the words, while the mind does not comprehend the meaning; but to go to the very foundation, and become familiar with what is brought out in the lesson."—"Counsels on Sabbath School Work," page 53.

My Pledge

As one who greatly desires to improve his knowledge of the Scriptures, I pledge myself to the careful and prayerful study of some portion of my Sabbath School lesson each day of the week.

A Holy Life in Hard Times

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

The first epistle of Peter is the subject of the lessons for this quarter. While it is Peter's letter, it should be noted that Silvanus was his secretary (ch. 5:12) and was probably responsible for the good quality of Greek language in the epistle. However, "it is possible to see in the use of words and expressions a general resemblance of style between the epistle, Peter's sermons, and his personal characteristics."—"SDA Bible Commentary," Vol. 7, p. 547.

It was mainly directed to Gentile Christians in the area of the Roman Empire which is now known as Asia Minor. The message of the letter indicates that the people it was written to have experienced and are expected increasingly to experience, opposition and persecution for their faith.

Some of the social conditions during his time differed widely from those of today. Yet many of the conditions were similar to those of our time. The technical, intellectual, and artistic achievements of the Roman Empire were unrivaled. Her commerce enriched the world. A highway system served as the arteries of trade and culture. The arts of architecture, banking and investment, agriculture, medicine, and sanitary engineering were practiced.

In private life the rich had luxurious homes which often included such features as marble or mosaic floors, columns of alabaster, and walls decorated with brilliant murals and laden with costly stones. Handkerchiefs were in common use, and teeth were brushed with powder or paste. Many homes had bathtubs. A wide range of cosmetics was used by Roman women—perfumes, creams, oils, pastes, soaps, and mascara. Beauty accessories were also available. These included tweezers, scissors, razors, files, pumice stones, brushes, combs, hairnets, and wigs. Leisuretime activities formed an important part of Roman life. People played hesslike board games and frequented clubhouses, art galleries, libraries, ading rooms, and music halls.

Food supplies rivaled those of ours today. They included grains, dairy ducts, vegetables, fruits, and nuts. The rich ate meat. Pork was a orite dish. Sausages, in portable ovens, were hawked through the ets.

Against this environmental background Peter cautions the followers of to be careful in their behavior. He urges them to avoid the lusts of sh. The wide range of counsel which Peter gave in the first century icable to church members today. It is one of the finest and noblest live a quality Christian life. Those who seek comfort in the midst and sorrows may profit by a careful study of this book. Those