



1 Peter



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**1 Peter 1:13-16** <sup>NIV</sup>

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. <sup>14</sup> As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. <sup>15</sup> But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; <sup>16</sup> for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”

1 Peter 4:1-11



# The Exile's Transformation



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## The Anatomy of Life-Change

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**The way into the heart is through the body, and  
the way into the body is through story.**

- James K.A. Smith, *Imagining the Kingdom*

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**1 Peter 1:14** <sup>NIV</sup>

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**“The insidious thing about these things is not that they’re evil or sinful; it is that they are unconscious. They are default settings. They’re the kind of devotion you just gradually slip into, day after day, getting more and more selective about what you see and how you measure value without ever being fully aware that that’s what you’re doing.”**

- David Foster Wallace





**Romans 12:2** <sup>NIV</sup>

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

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**1 Peter 4:7a** <sup>NIV</sup>

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1 Peter 4:1-11



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**Mark 1:14-15** NIV

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup> “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

1 Peter 4:1-11



**STORY**  
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**1 Peter 1:20** NIV

He was chosen before the creation of the world,  
but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

1 Peter 4:1-11



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**1 Peter 4:7** NIV

The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert  
and of sober mind so that you may pray.

1 Peter 4:1-11



**STORY**  
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**1 Peter 4:6** <sup>NIV</sup>

For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to human standards in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit.

1 Peter 4:1-11



**STORY**  
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**1 Peter 4:5** NIV

But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

1 Peter 4:1-11



**“Easter was when Hope in person surprised the whole world by coming forward from the future into the present.”**

- N.T. Wright

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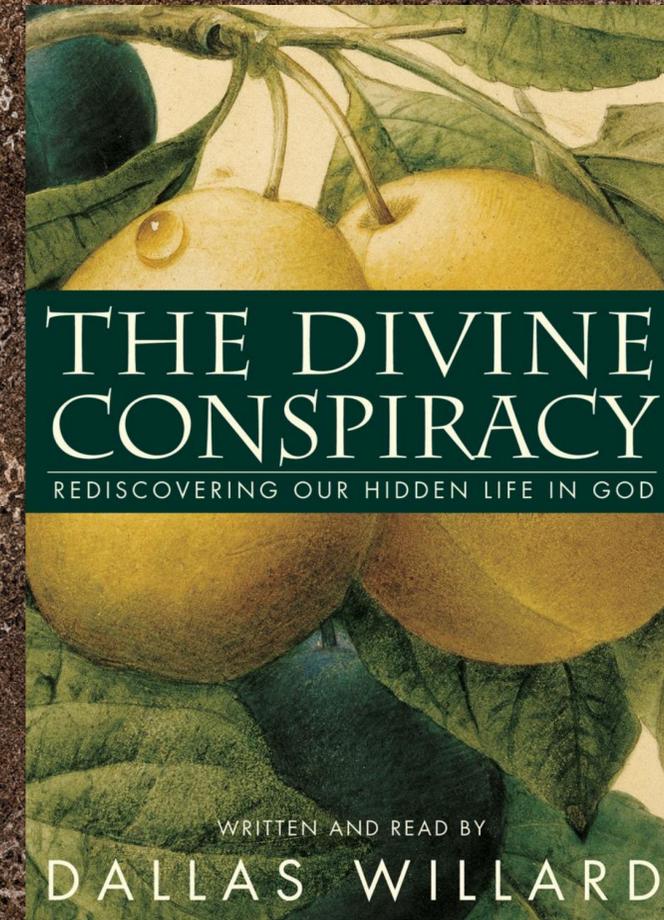
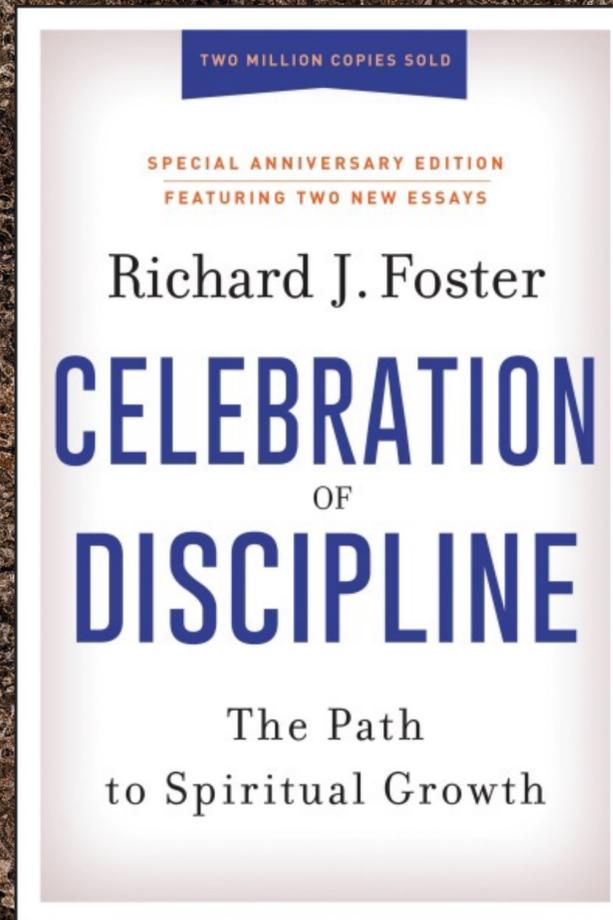
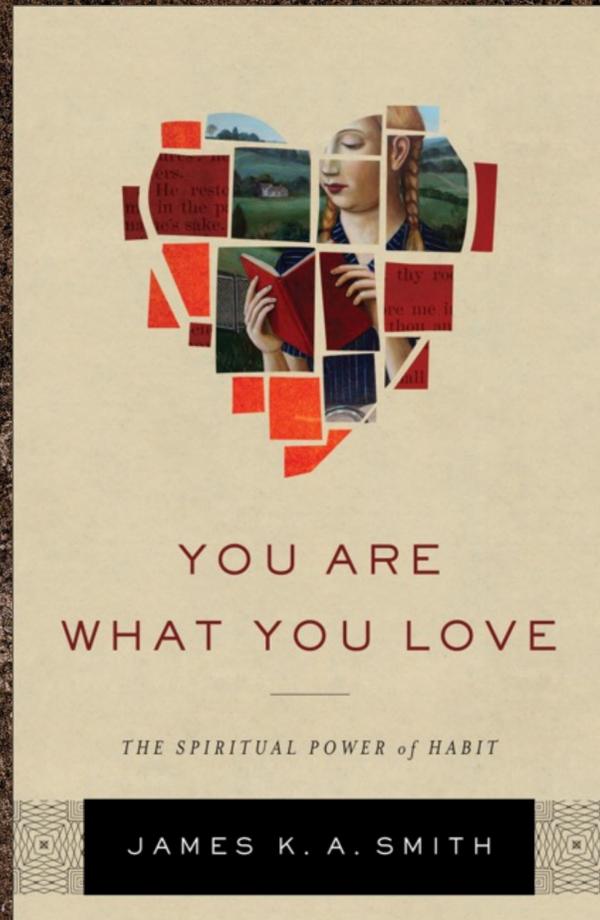


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**1 Peter 4:7a** <sup>NIV</sup>

The end of all things is near. Therefore...

1. Be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray (4:7)
2. Love each other 'deeply' (4:8)
3. Offer hospitality without grumbling (4:9)
4. Use your gifts to serve others (4:10-11)



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**1 Peter 4:1a** <sup>NIV</sup>

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**1 Peter 3:18a** <sup>NIV</sup>

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.

1 Peter 4:1-11



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**1 Peter 3:18b-19** NIV

He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. <sup>19</sup> After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits...

1 Peter 4:1-11



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**1 Peter 3:21b-22** NIV

It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

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**“It would seem that Our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but too weak. We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased.”**

- C.S. Lewis

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