

**GOT MILK?**  
**1 PETER 2:1-3 / 7-31-19 / WED**

**I. THE KEY WORD IN THIS PASSAGE IS “CRAVE”—v.2.**

- A. This word is an important one in this passage. Why?
  - 1. The Greek word means “to intensely long for something” or “to greatly desire something.”
  - 2. This passage is in the form of a command from Peter.
  - 3. His point is that Christians, especially new Christians, should crave or greatly desire the things of God.
- B. This same word is used in the O.T.—Ps 4:2; 83:3; Ps 119:20.
- C. The same word is used in the N.T.—2 Cor. 5:2 and James 4:5.
- D. Peter is contrasting a Christian’s call to crave the things of God rather than the things of the world.
  - 1. He lists some of the things of the world in verse 1.
  - 2. This is not an arbitrary list of sins.
  - 3. They are sins that not only impact the individual who practices them, but also other people around them.
  - 4. This list contains actions that destroy Christian fellowship not only between individual Christians, but especially in the church itself.

**II. THE KEY PHRASE IN THIS PASSAGE IS “PURE SPIRITUAL MILK”—2:2.**

- A. Do you ever crave certain foods? What?
- B. What is the particular craving every Christian should have according to Peter?
  - 1. Peter is referring to God’s Word—v.2 “Therefore”
    - a. In this case “therefore” refers to 1:25.
    - b. Peter’s point is that God’s Word is to Christians, especially new Christians, what \_\_\_\_\_ is to babies.

2. How should we crave God's Word like babies crave milk? What is the process followed?
  - a. It's a long process, even lifelong.
  - b. It's a consistent process.
  - c. It's a beneficial process.
- C. Got Milk? was an advertising campaign started in 1993 by the Milk Processors Board of California?

### III. THE KEY MOTIVE IS THE WORD "TASTE"—V.3.

- A. Some people drink milk for the taste.
- B. Others drink milk for the health benefits—Vitamins A, D, and B12 plus the following minerals: Potassium, calcium, phosphorus, zinc, magnesium and protein.
- C. Peter, however, is using the word as a verb.
  1. He is talking about people who have received or "tasted" salvation.
  2. His point is that once we've tasted the Word of God that has resulted in our salvation, we must continue to take the same Word of God.