September 24

Scriptures: Read 1 Peter 2

Key Verse: "...as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby..." (I Peter 2:2)

Overview

A newborn baby is voracious —he lives to eat. His whole world is committed to survival. And his parents (especially his mother!) must align their lives to that infant's appetite for life. One of the wonders of those first critical days of life is the special milk the mother's breasts provide her baby. In fact, for 3 or 4 days her breasts produce not milk but "colastrum" — a specially customized drink that provides the infant with important nutrients and antibodies. I say "customized" because this wonderful fluid is perfectly compatible with the baby's digestive system. It's the finest elixir the little one will ever drink.

Have you ever considered the "customizing" factor in the Word of God? Think about it with me. God could absolutely confound, confuse, and overwhelm us with information that to Him is rudimentary but to us is beyond imagining. Instead, He carefully reveals His will and His love to us in terms we can understand. What's more, He sends His Son to us to be one of us and speak to us on our level; in so doing, Jesus becomes the living Word.

So we have the written and the living Word custom designed for our spiritual digestive systems. Ingest the Word. It's designed just for you — and it will give you life.

Prayer

Thank You, Lord, for Your written Word that builds us up as spiritual houses, a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to You through Jesus Christ. Give us grace to be obedient to Your holy Word, that in all things we might please You.