

1 PETER

In this commentary, Ruth Anne Reese offers a multidisciplinary study of 1 Peter that builds on contemporary scholarship and research methods. She explores the relationship of the letter to the Old Testament, as reflected in the themes of exodus, exile, suffering, and glory. Integrating sociological analysis, she offers insights into the social situation of the letter's audience that have grown out of postcolonial and empire criticism. Reese also explores the themes of majority–minority relationships, nonretaliation, and ethical living. Her study reveals a more subversive character to 1 Peter than is often posited.

Written in an accessible style, Reese's commentary provides overviews of important scholarly questions and points readers to a range of potential answers. It also features a "Closer Look" section on a significant topic in each passage, as well as "Bridging the Horizons" sections that connect the ancient context of 1 Peter with the contemporary world.

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Abbreviations



- BAGD Bauer, Walter, William F. Arndt, F. Wilbur Gingrich, and Frederick W. Danker, *A Greek–English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*, second ed. (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1979).
- BBR *Bulletin for Biblical Research*
- BSac *Bibliotheca Sacra*
- BTB *Biblical Theology Bulletin*
- CBQ *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*
- CEB Common English Bible
- ESV English Standard Version
- HTR *Harvard Theological Review*
- IDB George A. Buttrick, ed., *The Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible: An Illustrated Encyclopedia*, four vols. (New York: Abingdon, 1962).
- JBL *Journal of Biblical Literature*
- J ECS *Journal of Early Christian Studies*
- JETS *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*
- JSNT *Journal for the Study of the New Testament*
- LCL Loeb Classical Library
- LSJ Liddell, Henry George, Robert Scott, Henry Stuart Jones, *A Greek–English Lexicon*. 9th ed. with revised supplement (Oxford: Clarendon, 1996).
- LXX Septuagint
- NA28 Nestle–Aland *Novum Testamentum Graece*, twenty-eighth edition
- NASB New American Standard Bible
- NETS New English Translation of the Septuagint
- NIV New International Version
- NJB New Jerusalem Bible

NLT	New Living Translation	
NRSV	<i>New Revised Standard Version</i>	
NTS	<i>New Testament Studies</i>	
RB	<i>Revue Biblique</i>	
RSV	Revised Standard Version	
SJT	<i>Scottish Journal of Theology</i>	
UBS ₅	<i>United Bible Studies, The Greek New Testament, fifth edition</i>	
WTJ	<i>Westminster Theological Journal</i>	
WW	<i>Word and World</i>	

ANCIENT SOURCES

Aristotle

<i>Eth. eud.</i>	<i>Ethica eudemia</i>	<i>Eudemean Ethics</i>
<i>Nic. Eth.</i>	<i>Ethica Nichomachea</i>	<i>Nichomachean Ethics</i>
<i>Pol.</i>	<i>Politica</i>	<i>Politics</i>
<i>Oec.</i>	<i>Oeconomica</i>	<i>Economics</i>

Augustine

<i>Ep. Eud.</i>	<i>Epistolia Euodius</i>	<i>Epistle to Euodius</i>
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Cicero

<i>Pis.</i>	<i>In Pisonem</i>	<i>Against Piso</i>
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Dionysius of Halicarnassus

<i>Ant. Rom.</i>	<i>Antiquitates romanae</i>	<i>Roman Antiquities</i>
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Philo

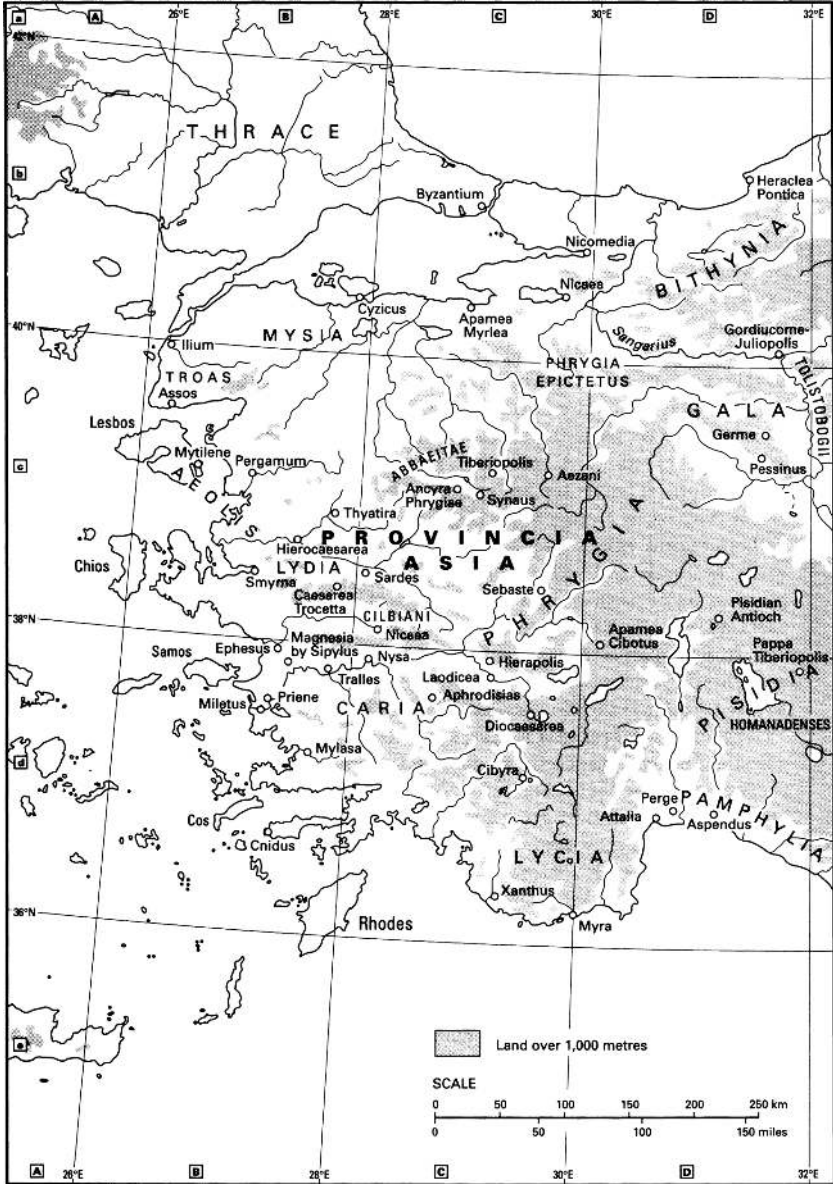
<i>Leg. 1,2,3</i>	<i>Legum allegoriae I, II, III</i>	<i>Allegorical Interpretation 1, 2, 3</i>
<i>Cher.</i>	<i>De cherubim</i>	<i>On the Cherubim</i>
<i>Prob.</i>	<i>Quod omnis probus liber sit</i>	<i>That Every Good Person Is Free</i>

Xenophon

<i>Oec.</i>	<i>Oeconomicus</i>	<i>Economics</i>
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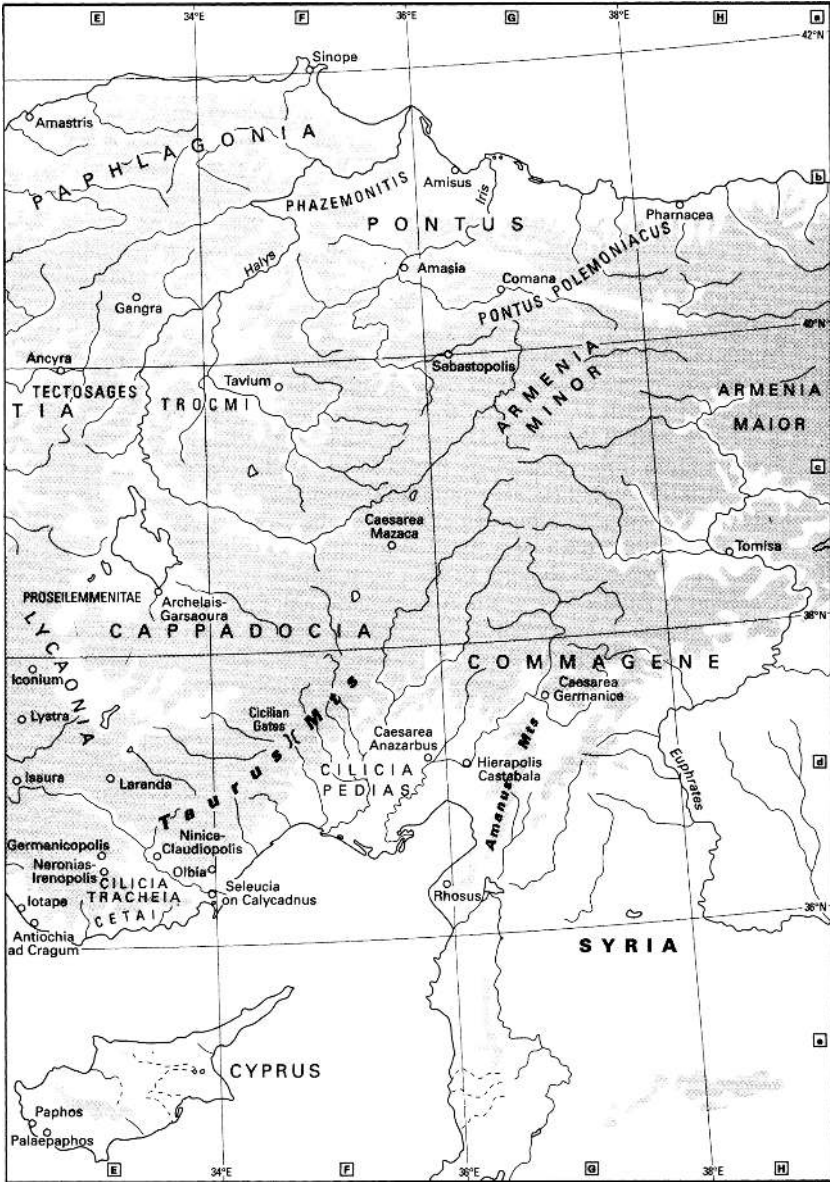
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