

SERMON OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS  
APRIL 17, 2022

**A LIVING HOPE FOR THE FUTURE**  
**1 PETER 1:3-5**

**MAIN THOUGHT & OUTLINE**

Rejoice in your God for his mercy in giving you a living hope, a perfect inheritance, and a powerful preservation.

- I. Rejoice in God (v.3a)
- II. Rejoice in God for Your Living Hope (v.3b)
- III. Rejoice in God for Your Perfect Inheritance (v.4)
- IV. Rejoice in God for Your Powerful Preservation (v.5)

**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION**

1. Why does Peter focus on the future before bringing us back to our present suffering? Similarly, why does Peter focus us on our salvation before speaking about our suffering?
2. Consider the contrast between death and life in this passage. How is a “living hope” so different from what this world offers?
3. Consider the contrast between earth and heaven in terms of our inheritance. How is this inheritance so different from this world’s promises?
4. Boys & Girls: why should you give thanks that Jesus Christ rose from the dead? Why would we be sad if he didn’t?

**FURTHER READING:** Matt 11:28; John 3:16; Rom 1:23, 6:4, 8:16-17; 1 Cor 9:25, 15:3-4, 20; Heb 7:26; 1 Peter 5:4; Rev 21:27