

1 Peter Lesson 2

“Living Hope”

1 Peter 1:3-12

Day 1 – Read 1 Peter 1:3-12

Read through the text. Pray for God’s Spirit to teach you as you study this week.

- 1) How does this passage begin?

Why do you think Peter begins this way?

- 2) Read Luke 22:31-32. Note what Jesus says to Peter. How does this shed light on why Peter might be writing these words?

- 3) According to 1 Peter 1:3, what characteristic of God was demonstrated greatly toward us?

Define your answer to the question above.

4) List at least 3 things, from verses 3-5, that are so great about our salvation.

5) How have you experienced the mercy of God in your life?

As you meditate on these truths, consider if, in any way, you think you deserve salvation.
Journal your thoughts below.

Day 2 – Read 1 Peter 1:3-5

6) What do you learn about this idea of “new birth” from the following references?
John 1:12-13 –

John 3:1-8 –

Galatians 4:4-7?

7) What kind of hope do we have according to 1 Peter 1:3?

What do you think that means?

8) How does Jesus' resurrection make that available to us?

9) How is our inheritance described in 1 Peter 1:4? Define each term.

Where is our inheritance kept?

10) Think about what you desire or treasure. Which of those things will perish, spoil, or fade?

Day 3 – Read 1 Peter 1:6-7

11) What does it mean that God's power guards believers through faith?

What additional insight is given in the following verses?

1 Samuel 2:9 –

John 10:27-29 –

Ephesians 1:13 –

How does this encourage and strengthen you?

12) According to verse 6, what two things are simultaneously occurring?

Read also 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 and James 1:2-4. How can these two things simultaneously happen?

Can you personally experience both joy and sorrow simultaneously?

13) Trials to our faith are like fire to a precious metal. How?

14) To whom is the trial proving that faith is genuine? Read also 2 Corinthians 1:8-10.

15) How have you been purified and refined as you have gone through the trials of life?

How has it proved to you the genuineness of your faith?

Day 4 _Read 1 Peter 1:6-9

16) How is your faith described in 1 Peter 1:7?

17) How is this faith expressed? (You may have several answers.)

Compare 1 Peter 1:8 to Hebrews 11:1-2,6.

Do you love Him and believe Him even though you don't see Him?

18) According to 1 Peter 1:8, what kind of joy is the believer filled with?

Is this characteristic of your life? Why or why not?

19) Notice the tense of the verb in 1 Peter 1:9. How are you “receiving” the goal of your faith?

20) What is the connection between knowing the blessing of 1 Peter 1:3-5 and having faith and joy in the midst of trials as described in 1 Peter 1:6-9?

21) What did the prophets do and speak about?

22) How were they serving us rather than themselves?

23) Who guided them in their words?

24) Who else longs to look into these things?

Why do you think this is true?

25) How can we better see Jesus in the word than if we had seen Him physically when he was alive?

26) How do the truths that you are personally chosen, given new birth, able to live in hope, and given abundant mercy and assurance by God transform you?

- Make notes about these key words/themes
 - Suffering
 - God
 - Christ
 - Spirit/spiritual
 - Save/salvation
 - Hope
 - Inheritance, glory, etc.

