

I PETER
HOLY AND
HOPE-FILLED LIVING
IN A HOSTILE WORLD

I Peter 1:3-7

Blessed be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who according to His great mercy
has caused us to be born again
to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ
from the dead,

to obtain an inheritance
which is imperishable and undefiled
and will not fade away,
reserved in heaven for you,
who are protected by the power of God
through faith
for a salvation ready to be revealed
in the last time.

In this you greatly rejoice,
even though now for a little while,
if necessary,
you have been distressed by various trials,
so that the proof of your faith,
being more precious than gold
which is perishable, even though tested by fire,
may be found to result in praise and glory and
honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

“Blessed be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ...”

1. Ephesians 1:3, “...who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.”
2. I Peter 1:3, “...who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope.”
3. II Corinthians 1:3, “...the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction....”

We should Bless God, because:

1. He has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.
2. He, according to His great mercy, has caused us to be born again to a living hope.
3. He is the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction..."

(Seen on FaceBook...)

This is URGENT...

- In the 1960s America lost its innocence.
- In the 1970s we began ignoring authority.
- In the 1980s, it was our values that vanished.
- In the 1990s we lost our faith.
- In the 2000s, our sense of security was taken.
- In the 2010s... we're losing **hope**.

LIVING HOPE!

I Peter 1:3-5

“HOPE” ⇔ Confident expectation of the fulfillment of what God has promised.

LIVING HOPE, I Peter 1:3-5

- The Praise For Our Living Hope, “Blessed be God.”
- The Agent of Our Living Hope, “God the Father.”
- The Source of Our Living Hope, “His Great Mercy.”
- The Cause of Our Living Hope, “Born Again.”
- The Nature of our Hope: “Living.”

LIVING HOPE, I Peter 1:3-5

- The Means of Our Living Hope, “through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”

LIVING HOPE, I Peter 1:3-5

- The Content of Our Living Hope:
 1. Heavenly Inheritance
 - ✓ Imperishable
 - ✓ undefiled
 - ✓ Will not fade away
 - ✓ Reserved in Heaven for you!

LIVING HOPE, I Peter 1:3-5

- The Content of Our Living Hope:
 2. Heavenly Protector!
 - ✓ Protected by the power of God
 - ✓ Through Faith

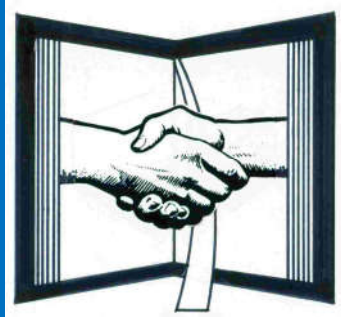
LIVING HOPE, I Peter 1:3-5

- The Fulfillment of Our Living Hope:
 - ✓ Unto (Greek: εἰς) salvation
 - ✓ Ready to be revealed in the last time.

For Christians,
our hope is fixed
on the Living God,
and the salvation we have in Him,
which is entirely His work
from beginning to end!

This Christmas season...

Let's Share the HOPE!



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