



Our Living Hope

1 Peter 1:3–9

³ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

⁶ In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ that the genuineness of your faith, *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, ⁸ whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, ⁹ receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of *your* souls.

Main Point: God has given you a living hope through the resurrection of Christ which grounds your faith during testings.

Truths about our Living Hope

I. The Basis for our Living Hope—*God's Mercy*

II. The Means of our Living Hope—*The Resurrection of Christ*

III. The Reward in our Living Hope—*Inheritance in Heaven*

IV. The Assurance of our Living Hope—*Protected by the Power of God*

V. The Testing of our Living Hope—*Trials Prove the Genuineness of Your Faith*

VI. The Joy of our Living Hope—*Joy Inexpressible in Christ*

VII. The Confidence of our Living Hope—*Eternal Salvation*