



Community Group Study: Living Hope
1 Peter 1:3-5 | Week of November 3

GETTING STARTED

**What do you expect the Christian life to be like between here and heaven?
What makes you answer like that?**

Read 1 Peter 1:1-5

DISCUSS & APPLY

How would you state the words, “Blessed be or Praise be...” in your own words?

What are at least two reasons to bless God-given in verse 3?

What does it mean to ‘be born again?’ Read John 3:1-8 for further understanding.

What does the resurrection of Jesus Christ have to do with their living hope?

Do you think that you deserve salvation at all? How does your answer match with the concept that it is by the mercies of God (1:3) that one is saved?

What has “the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ” done for his people (see v. 3-4)?

What is an inheritance? What inheritance will they gain (Eph 1:11,14,18; Col 1:12; Heb 9:15; 11:8)? When?

**What are the three descriptions of this inheritance found in verse 4?
How are they different from each other?**

What part of verse 4 do you like most and why?

How could Peter's first readers - and we - know they would reach this inheritance (v. 5)? Why is this so encouraging?

How do these verses encourage us to live for what we will have in the future, rather than what we could have in our present?

NEXT STEPS

- **Memorize/meditate upon verses 3-5. Use them to spend time praising God.**
- **Pray for yourself, and those you know, who are facing "various trials," that those difficulties would show you the genuineness of your faith and that your certain future would enable you to rejoice.**