

The Resurrection Life

Hope Breathes

1 Peter 1:1-9

MAIN IDEAS

1. The error of worldly hope
2. Hope in election
3. Hope as exiles
4. Living hope rooted in Christ

Whatever inheritance God the Father has reserved for His Son, He now shares with all those who have been adopted in the Son. —RC Sproul

How does the world define hope? How does worldly hope fall short? Why does it fail?

How do we receive living hope, according to 1 Peter 1:3?

Why does living hope never fail?

Read 1 Thessalonians 1:4-5, 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14, and Romans 8:29-30. How does being chosen by God give us hope?

What are the characteristics of our inheritance, according to 1 Peter 1:4? How do these give hope?

How are Christians exiles in this life? Consider Psalm 39:12 and Hebrews 11:13-16.

What hope do we have as exiles, according to Isaiah 45:13, Hebrews 11:16, and John 14:1-3?

What is the natural response of those who hope in God, according to 1 John 3:3?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Where is your hope? When does your hope stand strong? When does it fail?

Read all the verses in the Key Verses section below. Which ones would be most encouraging to you when your hope fails? Meditate on these verses throughout the coming week. Memorize them. Recite them the next time your hope wavers.

Put your hope in God and seek to live out 1 John 3:3.

GROUP RESPONSE

Share with the group what verse or verses from the study you find most encouraging and why.

Worship God together, in song or in prayer, praising Him for the living hope he has given us.

REPRODUCE

The verse or verses you meditate on and memorize this week—look for opportunities to encourage others with the hope they offer.

KEY VERSES

From the sermon:

- 1 Peter 1:1-9
- John 3:1-3
- Ephesians 2:4-5,9
- Romans 8:28-30

Additional verses from the study:

- 1 Thess. 1:4-5
- 2 Thess. 2:13-14
- Psalm 39:12
- Hebrews 11:13-16
- Isaiah 45:13
- Hebrews 11:16
- John 14:1-3
- 1 John 3:3