

HOPE *Refined*



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1 PETER 1:10-21

THE HIGH PRIVILEGE OF HOPE

I. We have the high privilege of a living hope that is rooted in our _____ .

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. vv. 10-12

A. We have spiritual privileges the prophets did not have.

B. We have spiritual privileges the angels do not have.

WHAT HAVE THE ANGELS RECENTLY LEARNED FROM YOUR BEHAVIOR?

II. With the high privilege we have in our salvation comes great _____ .

A. We are to live a life that is _____ .

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." vv. 13-16

1. Fix your hope on the grace to come.
2. Do not be conformed to former passions.
3. Be holy in all your conduct.

DOES YOUR LIFE REFLECT A LIFE OF PURITY?

B. We are to live a life that is _____ .

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile ... v. 17

DO YOU PRIMARILY SEEK TO PLEASE PEOPLE OR GOD IN LIFE?

C. We are to live a life of faith and _____ in God.

... knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. vv. 18-21

1. Remember that you were redeemed by the blood of Christ.
2. It is only through Christ that we are able to live by faith in God.

We who have been granted the high privilege of *salvation* have the great responsibility of *obedience*.

1. Read 1 Peter 1:10-21. What part of this passage particularly stands out to you and why?

2. Read Isaiah 53 and Matthew 13:16-17. What do you think Isaiah wondered about when the Holy Spirit inspired him to write this passage? How do you think he would react when finding out the answers to his questions?

3. Explain what Peter means when he says *things into which angels long to look* (v. 12). What new perspective does this phrase give you? What do angels learn about the privileges of knowing Christ from observing your life?

4. Even though Christ is the source of all spiritual privileges, He has been rejected by men. Why would people reject Jesus instead of reaching out for the free gift of salvation He offers us? How do you see this rejection played out today?

5. Do you view the Christian life more from the standpoint of spiritual duty or something the angels look at with wonder? What temporal pressures keep you from cherishing the lasting privileges God has given you to enjoy today?

6. Read Hebrews 12:1-3. Talk to the Lord for a time about how being observed by those who have gone before us and angels who can't experience salvation boosts your faith and gives you a new angle on your circumstances. How will you live differently from now on?

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of *The Source* at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events. They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.

TEXT "CCBCSHARE" TO 555-888 FOR YOUR NEXT STEP. If you've been focused on spiritual growth for a while, your next step is to think about who God might be putting in your life to share the gospel with or disciple. Text "CCBCShare" to 555-888 and we'll send you a few ideas and suggestions on how to get started this week.

GET TICKETS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES THIS WEDNESDAY, JULY 8. We are excited to continue our in-person worship services next Sunday, July 12 and would love to see you on campus! To help with social distancing, tickets will be required. Be sure you set a reminder for this Wednesday and plan on visiting www.ccbcfamily.org to get your tickets. The website also has a helpful FAQ with information on wearing masks, how to return tickets you don't need, and all the safety precautions we're taking to make worshipping together a safe and comfortable experience. We recommend reading it all so you know what to expect!

BAND OF BROTHERS' SUMMER STUDY BEGINS TUESDAY, JULY 14. Guys, join Ken Miller online this summer for "Eye on the Prize," a new, four-week study in the book of 2 Timothy. Eye on the Prize is a call to commitment and a challenge to stay the course no matter what we face in life. (And we've gone through a lot in 2020 alone, right?) If there was ever a time when the church needed men who would fight the good fight of faith, it's now. Join us beginning Tuesday, July 14 live on Facebook at 7 p.m. To learn more about the study, go to www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

INVITE A FRIEND TO WATCH "SUNSHINE & SWING," OUR UPCOMING BIG BAND CONCERT. We are excited to announce that the CCBC Big Band is putting on a summer show! The sunny spectacular will broadcast on Friday, July 24 at 7 p.m. at live. ccbcfamily.org with some incredible musical performances. Tell your friends and family all about it, and invite them to watch with you!

KIDS KAMP IS KID-TESTED AND READY FOR YOU! Just a quick reminder that Real Heroes Kids Kamp 2020 will be available all summer on our website. Families have been having a blast so far, which means it's time for you to join the fun and share the gospel adventure with people you know! Friends, family and neighbors at home and around the world can take part—just send them to www.ccbcfamily.org to get started.

JUMP INTO COMMUNITY ONLINE. Looking for a bright spot in your week? You'll love our online small groups which meet every week to hang out and go deeper in Sunday's sermon. The community that's happening in those groups is one of our favorite parts of this socially distanced season. Join a group today at www.ccbcfamily.org.

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