

Where To Find Hope Rising Above the Storm

1 Peter 1:3-4, 8-12, 22-25

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us <u>new birth</u> into a <u>living hope</u> through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that can <u>never perish</u>, spoil or fade... <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen <u>him</u>, you love <u>him</u>; and even though you do not see <u>him</u> now, you believe in <u>him</u> and are <u>filled with an</u> <u>inexpressible and glorious joy</u>, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

<sup>10</sup>Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, <sup>11</sup>trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the <u>Spirit of Christ in them</u> was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow. <sup>12</sup>It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things... <sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. <sup>23</sup>For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. <sup>24</sup>For, 'All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, <sup>25</sup>but the word of the Lord endures forever.'"

Hope is the result of the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Death is not your \_\_\_\_\_

"Jesus wept." John 11:35

How to experience \_\_\_\_\_

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