



HOPE

A wooden cross with a tag reading "HOPE" resting on a textured surface.

A Living Hope:  
Hope in the Midst of Suffering

**1 Peter 1:1-8**

A close-up photograph of a wooden cross and a wooden plaque. The cross is made of dark wood and is positioned on the left. To its right is a light-colored wooden plaque with the word "HOPE" written in dark, cursive capital letters. The background is a textured, light-colored surface.

Two Central Themes:

**Peter writes that those who read might be assured that heaven is our reward and that Jesus is coming again.**



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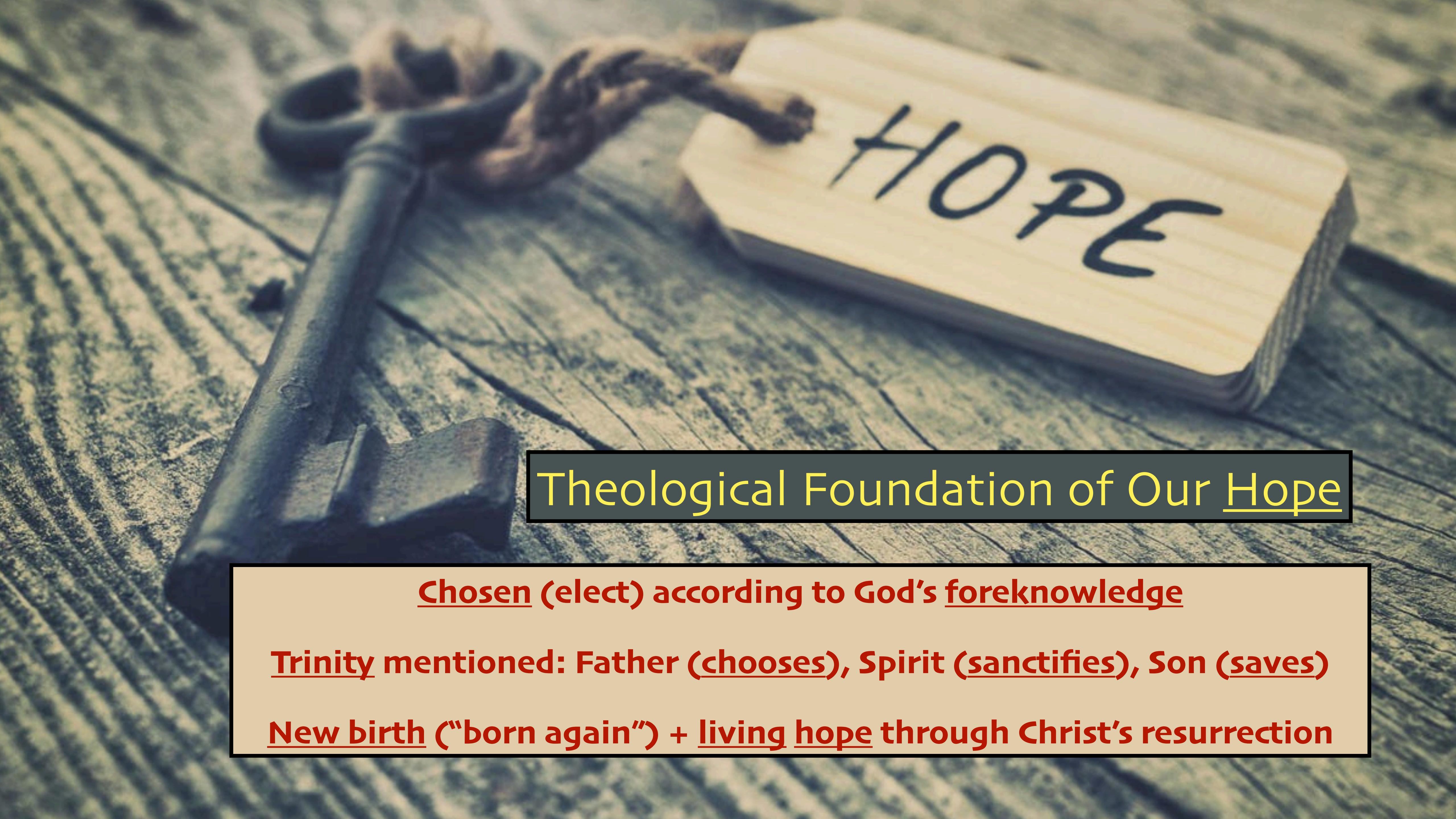
**Do not allow the debate to cause you doubt!**



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A close-up photograph of a hand holding a small wooden cross. A small, rectangular wooden tag is attached to the cross with a string. The tag has the word "HOPE" written on it in a dark, cursive font. The background is a textured, light-colored surface, possibly a book cover or endpaper.

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**New birth ("born again") + living hope through Christ's resurrection**



## The Nature of Our Inheritance

Incorruptible, undefiled, unfading, reserved in heaven

Kept and protected by God's power through faith

Balance of divine sovereignty & human responsibility



Statement of Truth:

**Salvation is not dependent upon us to initiate or maintain because God is a saving God and a keeping God**