Gird Your Mind, Keep Sober, Fix Your Hope (1 Peter 1:13) 2/26/23 **John MacArthur**: "Sober-mindedness is the idea of spiritual steadfastness, of spiritual self-control, of clarity of mind, of being in charge of your priorities, of having discipline of heart, discipline of mind, balanced life that is not intoxicated Review with the various allurements of the world around you. It is a well-disciplined life." Spiritual salvation, the rescue of the human _____ from sin and death Fix your hope on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Christ and hell and Satan, is the greatest ______ of Scripture. What the prophets wanted to know is what person was the fix your hope (elpizo) = and what time would He come. All was divinely inspired by the Holy Spirit. Hope in its essence is the same substance as faith. It is The Apostles preached the _____ of the suffering aspect and God. Only, faith is believing God in the _____ and hope is reiterated the future glory of the Messiah. They preached the . . . believing God for the . . Angels desire to look into salvation for the reason that they might When you truly trust God for the _____, you are affirming by God more, because that's what they exist to do. that trust that God is trustworthy and that brings Him . . Prepare your minds for action The first responsibility we have as those who have received the great gift of prepare (anazonnymi) = salvation is to look ahead to the ______ of Christ. However, notice Peter doesn't say fix your hope on the _____, but rather the To gird means to ______ something that's loose. Notes on girding from ancient culture and the Bible: **Practical Application** If you want to pull in the loose ends of your life and keep soberminded: 1. Remember who you. minds (dianoia) = Don't let your and purposes and decisions just 2. Look back to the of salvation. hang loose and blow with the breeze; get them all _____ down. Keep sober 3. Cultivate _____ that strengthen you _____.

keep sober (nepho) =

1 Thessalonians 5:8, "But since we are of the day, let us be **sober**, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the **hope of salvation**."