



## **DAY 1: The Source of True Hope**

### **KNOW IT!**

- **"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." — 1 Peter 1:3 (ESV)**
- **"For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees?" — Romans 8:24 (ESV)**
- **"Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by command of God our Savior and of Christ Jesus our hope ..." — 1 Timothy 1:1 (ESV)**

**Have you ever stopped to think about the fact that most people place their "hope" in transient things—careers, relationships, or personal achievements? Yet it is those very things that can falter and fail, sometimes almost without warning, leaving us disillusioned. The Apostle Peter reminds us that our hope as Christians is not based on worldly circumstances but on the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This "living hope" is dynamic and enduring, offering assurance beyond the grave.**

**Paul further emphasizes that our hope is in what is not seen, reinforcing the idea that our faith anchors us in the promises of God—not in visible, temporary realities. This hope is what sustains us as believers through trials, knowing that our ultimate redemption is secure in Christ.**

### **LIVE IT! SHARE IT!**

- Think about where you've been placing your hope. Is it in temporary things or in the eternal promise of Christ? (Read Colossians 3:1-2)
- Take an intentional step to put your trust in Jesus as the foundation of your hope, not people or things, especially during challenging times.
- Spend time in prayer, asking God to help you place your hope in Him, especially when you are tempted to look elsewhere for guidance. Share this living hope with someone who may be struggling to find meaning.

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