



Text: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Big Idea: These verses, in the original Greek, comprise one long sentence with Peter giving praise for our salvation. In them Peter teaches salvation as a living hope of comfort providing perspective on life struggles in the here and now.

- Your living hope is grounded in the resurrection of Jesus
- Living hope is secured and guarded by God
- You are being refined so you can receive your living hope.

Discussion Questions:

1. Biblical hope is the expectation of a future with certainty through God's renewing of our lives. The world's view is focused much closer in time, perhaps even denying a need for salvation. How should a Christian have a different perspective on life's challenges than the world?
2. How is the resurrection relevant to you in the "here and now"?
3. How has someone provided encouragement to you in moments of trial?
4. What are your challenges in seeking God's glory above your own?
5. How have you seen God work, over time, to refine you?