



# THE THREAD

*weaving Sunday's message through the week*

**Date:** July 1, 2018

**Passage:** 1 Peter 1:13-16

**Theme:** Hope and Holiness

In light of the grace and mercy God has lavished on us through the work of his Son Jesus, you need to respond in the following ways:

1. Completely place your hope on God's grace (13).
  - a. Action: Placing our trust in something that is assured to happen
  - b. Object: God's grace through Christ's work
  - c. How?
    - i. By mental alertness
    - ii. By self-control
2. Choose to be holy in every aspect of life.
  - a. Stop making choices as you did before you were made right with God.
  - b. Imitate the holy nature and characteristics of your heavenly Father.

**Main Idea:** As God's children, we must make decisions in life that align with God's holy character rather than this world's wisdom or what feels right to us.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Discuss the concept of placing hope in someone or something. What do we typically mean by hope? How does that differ from what Peter says here?
  
- As Peter says that we are to set our hope on grace, how can this grace be understood as something that is past as well as future for us?
  
- In what ways do you conform to and make choices in alignment with your desires from the past?
  
- How do we obey Peter's command to be holy as our God is holy?

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