

## 1 Peter 1

<sup>6</sup> You rejoice in this, even though now for a short time, if necessary, you suffer grief in various trials <sup>7</sup> so that the proven character of your faith — more valuable than gold which, though perishable, is refined by fire — may result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

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<sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him; though not seeing him now, you believe in him, and you rejoice with inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> because you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.



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#### Psalm 56

## <sup>8</sup> You yourself have recorded my wanderings. Put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book?

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#### 1 Peter 5

<sup>3</sup> ... not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup> And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. Hope in the Midst of the Storm "In verses 8 and 9 Peter redirects our gaze from the future to the present"

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<sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is going to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation eagerly waits with anticipation for God's sons to be revealed.

<sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility not willingly, but because of him who subjected it — in the hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will also be set free from the bondage to decay into the glorious freedom of God's children.

<sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together with labor pains until now. <sup>23</sup> Not only that, but we ourselves who have the Spirit as the firstfruits — we also groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

<sup>24</sup> Now in this hope we were saved, but hope that is seen is not hope, because who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> Now if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with patience.

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2 Corinthians 4

<sup>16</sup> Therefore we do not give up. Even though our outer person is being destroyed, our inner person is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For our momentary light affliction is producing for us an absolutely incomparable eternal weight of glory. <sup>18</sup> So we do not focus on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

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