

Born Again to a Living Hope

1 Peter 1:3-4
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The Passion Week [~One-third of the Gospel Accounts]

Matthew (28 chapters; 1,071 verses)

- Chapters 21-28 35%

Mark (16 chapters; 678 verses)

- Chapters 11-16 41%

Luke (24 chapters; 1,151 verses)

- Chapters 19-24 27%

John (21 chapters; 879 verses)

- Chapters 12-21 46%

1 Corinthians 15:21-22 [Legacy Standard Bible]

²¹For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead.

²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

Psalm 22:1-2, 6-7 [Legacy Standard Bible]

¹My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Far from my salvation are the words of my groaning.

²O my God, I call by day, but You do not answer; And by night, but I have no rest.

⁶But I am a worm and not a man, A reproach of men and despised by the people.

⁷All who see me mock me; They smack their lip, they wag their head, saying,

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Luke 19:38 [Legacy Standard Bible]

“BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

John 1:10-11 [Legacy Standard Bible]

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

¹¹He came to what was His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.

Psalm 118:24-26 [Legacy Standard Bible]

Yasha – to deliver or save

Anna – to beg or beseech

Yashanna – “Lord, save! We beg you!”

²⁴This is the day which Yahweh has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵O Yahweh, save! O Yahweh, succeed!

²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name of Yahweh; We have blessed you from the house of Yahweh.

Luke 19:41-42 (LSB)

⁴¹And as He approached Jerusalem and saw the city, He cried over it,

⁴²saying, "If you knew in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes.

John 11:35 – Jesus *dakruouw* at Lazarus's tomb / to silently weep

Luke 19:41– Jesus *klaiw* over Jerusalem / *to wail, sob, cry out in anguish*

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Questions to Mull Over

1. How did the Jews, especially the Jewish leaders, fail to receive their long-awaited Messiah? (John 1:11)
2. Have we ourselves received and believed on the Promised Messiah, the True Light which has come into the world? (1 Peter 1:3)

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To Be Born Again

John 3:3–6 (LSB)

³Jesus answered and said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

⁴Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?”

⁵Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is **born of water and the Spirit** he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

⁶“That which has been born of the flesh is flesh, and that which has been born of the Spirit is spirit.

To Be Born Again

Titus 3:5 (LSB)

⁵He saved us, not by works which we did in righteousness, but according to His mercy, through the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,

To Be Born Again

1 Peter 3:21 (LSB)

²¹Corresponding to that, **baptism now saves you**—not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal of a good conscience to God—through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

To Be Born Again

Romans 6:3–4 (LSB)

³Or do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?

⁴Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

To Be Born Again

1 Peter 1:23–25 (LSB)

²³for you have been born again not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, that is, through the living and enduring word of God.

²⁴For, “All flesh is like grass, And all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, And the flower falls off,

²⁵But the word of the Lord endures forever.” And this is the word which was proclaimed to you as **good news**.

To Be Born Again

Romans 10:17 (LSB)

¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

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Ephesians 5:25–27 (LSB)

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her,

²⁶so that He **might sanctify her**, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,

²⁷that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she would be holy and blameless.

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A Living Hope

Romans 8:23–25 (LSB)

²³And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, **eagerly waiting for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.**

²⁴For in hope we were saved, but hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what he already sees?

²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we eagerly wait for it.

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Into an Inheritance

1 Peter 1:18–19 (LSB)

¹⁸knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things like silver or gold from your futile conduct inherited from your forefathers,

¹⁹but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.

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