The Book of 1 Peter

The Believer's Eternal Hope (1:3-2:10)

I. Salutation (1:1-2)
  A. The Author (1:1a_{1-6})
    1. Peter, the Fisherman to the Apostle
    2. Peter, the Rock and the Key Bearer
    3. Peter, the Shepherd
  B. The Recipients (1:1a_{7}-2c)
    1. Their Priority
    2. Their Geographic Location (1:1b)
    3. Their Spiritual Identity - Elect Exiles (1:1a_{7-12}, c-2c)

II. The Believer's Eternal Hope (1:3-2:10)
  A. The Certainty of Our Hope (1:3-12)
    1. Orchestrated by the Father (1:3-5)
      a. The Author of Our Hope: The Father (1:3a)
      b. The Means to Our Hope: Salvation (1:3b)
      c. The Content of Our Hope: Inheritance (1:4)
      d. The Guarantee of Our Hope: Protection (1:5)
    2. Owned through Jesus Christ (1:6-9)
      a. Joy in Spite of Our Suffering (1:6-7)
        1) The Reason for Our Joy (1:6a)
          - greatly rejoice — supremely jubilant, amplified joy
        2) The Extent of Our Suffering (1:6b)
          - distressed — pain or sorrow
          - trials — test, trial, temptation
        3) The Result of Our Suffering (1:7a)
          - proof — testing, proven
        4) The Consummation of Our Joy (1:7b)
          - praise — to speak of the excellence of
          - glory — radiant or glorify
          - honor — price, cost, respect