

God’s great mercy has caused us to be born again:

(1) 1:3a → To a new life

(2) 1:3b → To a living hope

(3) 1:4-5 → To a glorious inheritance

Read John 3:1-8

- 1) Why is it redundant to call ourselves born-again Christians?
- 2) Share with the group in your own words what it means to be born-again.
- 3) What actions can you take to cultivate the new life you have in Christ?

Read 1 Peter 1:3

- 4) Who or what is our living hope? (See Col. 1:27, 1 Tim. 1:1) What significance does Jesus' resurrection have on our understanding of our living hope?
- 5) How should having such a living hope impact how we respond to bad news, disappointment, trials and suffering in this life?

Read 1 Peter 1:4-5

- 6) In a world dominated by materialism and the accumulation of wealth, how should knowing that we have a future inheritance affect a Christian's view of money and possessions?
- 7) How does knowing your inheritance is kept for you, and God is guarding you by His power increase your faith and assurance? (See Gen. 18:14a; Num. 23:19; Jer. 32:17; Rom. 8:31-39; Philippians 1:6)