

Live in Hope

1 Peter 1:13-2:3

*Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, **set your hope fully** on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.” 1 Peter 1:13*

Hope is the fuel for our holiness .

1 Peter 1:14 - 16

Guard your hope with reverent fear .

1 Peter 1:17 - 21

A heart of hope creates the freedom to love .

1 Peter 1:22 - 2:1

*“Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation - **if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.**” 1 Peter 2:2-3*

For Personal Reflection

1 Peter 1:13-2:3

- Before considering this passage, re-read 1 Peter 1:1-12. What truth stands out the most? How does this passage prepare your heart for the commands in 1:13 - 2:3?
- Peter calls us to “set our hope fully” on promised future grace. Can you identify any competing “hopes” in your life? How does the object of your hope affect the way you live?
- Are you encouraged or intimidated by the command to “be holy”? How could the hope of the gospel fuel your desire for holiness? How might it change your affections?
- Does fear have any place in the life of the believer? Why does Peter call God both Father and Judge? How do the truths in v. 18 - 21 inform our understanding?
- How does hope in the imperishable truth of the Word free us to love earnestly from a pure heart? How does it empower us to react well to the temporary challenges of everyday life?
- Have you tasted that the Lord is good? Is He your soul-satisfying refuge (Ps 34:8)? How would you explain that to someone else?