

Are You Saved?

1 Pet. 1.1-12

Focus: on the great joy and wonder of our salvation that is even greater than our suffering

RESOURCES:

Here is a helpful resource on our text:

<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/getting-started-in-1-peter>

Here is the link to the 1 Peter personal study guide:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/7d495f89f8a10ee02758a05be/files/241be423-12f7-4d00-aaf6-7455a725ea4f/1_Peter_Personal_Study.pdf?utm_source=All+Church+North+Wake&utm_campaign=7da39571c5-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_01_11_02_31&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_42ae59d660-7da39571c5-393516393

Discussion:

- Read over our passage aloud together. What do you see that is the most awesome thing about our salvation?
- Why do you think Peter starts out his letter with this focus on salvation?
- How would you assess the vibrancy of your faith based on what Peter says in v. 8 (love, belief and joy)?
- How can you keep the beauty and joy of our salvation more on your radar such that it shapes your attitude towards trials you encounter?
- Spend time in prayer just praising God for our great salvation! you may want to use our passage as a prompt and pray through it verse by verse.
- Don't forget to encourage your group to use the 1 Peter study guide *before* they come to group each week! See the Resource sidebar for the link. Sharing from that sheet may shape or even replace how you use these questions!



2019 Spiritual Priority for NW

Bumper Sticker: Worth It!

- **Key Words:** Hope/Heaven
- **Full statement of priority:** to help us more fully grasp the joy and wonder of eternity with God such that we are increasingly:
 - Daily mindful of the heavenly hope that is ours in Christ
 - Willing to persevere in hardship and suffering in light of our hope
 - Eager to offer this hope to the people God has placed in our lives
- **Key verse:**
 - Romans 8.18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.
 - cf. also Matt. 5.10-12; 2 Cor. 4.16-18; Heb. 10.32-36; 1 Pet. 4.12-14
- **Prayer:**
 - pray that we would grasp the awesome hope of eternal life with God!
 - pray that our vision of heaven (and all that is associated with it) will make our present suffering worth it all such that we would persevere in loving obedience to Christ
 - pray that we would be all the more eager to share the hope of eternity with our friends, family, neighbors, co-workers and all those God puts in our lives that don't have this hope!