

HOPE AND HOLINESS

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*"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1Peter 1:3).*

Four REASONS to have **hope** in the midst of discouragement . . .

I. Because God _____ you.

1 Peter 1:1-2; Luke 22:31-32; John 15:16

- A. Peter knew that God had _____ him.
- B. God picked you because He _____ you!

II. Because Jesus is _____!

1 Peter 1:3-5; 1 Corinthians 15:12-19

- A. _____: didn't get what you *deserve!*
- B. Resurrection: our _____ of Heaven.

III. Because your _____ is not in vain.

1 Peter 1:6-7; 1 Peter 5:10; James 1:12

- A. Your suffering is _____.
- B. God gets glory; you get _____.

IV. Because your salvation is _____.

1 Peter 1:8-12

- A. God is in _____.

Four CHOICES that will **set you apart** (for the better) . . .

I. Choose to _____ in hope.

1 Peter 1:13; 1 Timothy 6:17-18; Romans 15:4

- A. Where are you setting your _____?
- B. How? Meditate on God's _____.

II. Choose to cultivate _____.

1 Peter 1:14-16; Psalm 101:3

- A. Who wants to be _____?

III. Choose to foster godly _____.

1 Peter 1:17-21; Matthew 12:36

- A. Godly fear is taking God _____.
- B. How? Understand _____ God is and _____ He did for you.

IV. Choose to express _____.

1 Peter 1:22-25; John 13:34-35; 1 John 3:18; 1 John 4:19

- A. Love is a _____.
- B. How? Grasp how much God _____ you!