



Sermon Notes

1 Peter 1:3–5 (ESV)

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

⁵who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

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(Answer key located on the last page)

I. MERCY: The _____ of Our Hope 1 Peter 1:3

"According to his great _____, he has caused us to be born _____."

Mercy means God does not give us what we _____ . We deserved _____ , but God gives us _____ .

Key Truth: Unlike every other religion where you _____ to God, Christianity is the story of God _____ down to _____ through Jesus Christ.

II. MAJESTY: The _____ of Our Inheritance | 1 Peter 1:4

God's mercy is taking us to an inheritance that is...

1. _____ — it cannot be destroyed. Everything in this world is _____ , but your inheritance in Christ outlasts all of it.

2. _____ — pure and spotless, untouched by _____. Everything in this world has been contaminated.

3. _____ — it will never lose its _____. Money devalues. Beauty fades. Fame disappears. But your inheritance keeps its full worth — forever.

This inheritance is _____ in _____ — with _____ on it!

Key Truth: Your true inheritance isn't just heaven — it's _____ Himself. (Ephesians 1:11)

III. MIGHT: The _____ of Our Protection | 1 Peter 1:5

We are guarded "by _____ power" — the same power that _____ Jesus from the dead!

You are NOT keeping yourself saved. _____ is keeping you saved!

Faith is like a _____ in an _____. The power doesn't come from the plug — it comes from the _____.

Your salvation has three tenses: Past: you _____ saved | Present: you _____ being saved | Future: you _____ glorified

PERSONAL REFLECTION

Which of the three truths — Mercy, Majesty, or Might — spoke most to where you are right now? Why?

NEXT STEPS

Identify one area where you've been placing hope in temporary things — and surrender it to God in prayer.

Answer Key

I. MERCY: The FOUNDATION of Our Hope

mercy / again / deserve /
punishment / new life
reach up / reaching / you

II. MAJESTY: The GREATNESS of Our Inheritance/Imperishable/temporary Undefined/sin/Unfading/glory/kept / heaven / your name/Jesus

III. MIGHT: The GUARANTEE of Our Protection

God's / raised/ God/ plug / outlet / source/ were / are / will be

The Good News

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

The Bad News

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
(Romans 3:23)

The Ugly News

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

The Great News

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 6:23a)

Guess What?

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! **"God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins.**

Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord! Amen!"

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9–10)

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