1 Peter 1:13-25

Where We've Been...

- I. Peter's Salutation (1:1-2)
- II. So Great A Salvation (1:3 2:10)
 - A. The Firmness of Our Salvation (1:3-12)
- ...It is <u>Preserved</u> by the power of God (1:3-5)
- ...It is **Proven** by the trials from God (1:6-9)
- ...It was **Predicted** by the prophets of God

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Where We're Going ...

- I. The Believer's Response to So Great a Salvation (1:13-21)
- 1. A Life of Steadfast Hope (1:13
- 2. A Life of Steadfast Holiness (1:14-16)
- 3. A Life of Steadfast Honor (1:17)

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...grace must first be experienced before the obligations of grace become operative...

D. Edmond Hiebert

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...[Peter] said that so elevated was the kingdom of Christ, to which the gospel calls us, that even angels in heaven desire to see it; what then out to be done by us who are in the world?...as long as we live on earth, so great is the distance between us and Christ, that in vain He invites us to Himself. It is hence necessary for us to put off the image of Adam and to cast aside the whole world and all the hindrances, that being thus set at liberty we may rise upwards to Christ.

John Calvin

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- A. A Life of Steadfast Hope (v. 13)
- > The Command is to hope
- This command is supported by two participles,
- prepare your minds for action

" keep sober in spirit

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- B. A Life of Steadfast Holiness (vv. 14-16)
- Hope in a coming Savior <u>demands</u> conformity to His nature.
- The phrase "As obedient children" indicates that the call to holiness is grounded in their very nature as recipients of the new birth. (Romans 6:17-18, Ephesians 2:10, 1 John 5:2-3)

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A believers experience of the new birth gives them the ability and inner impulse to obey the demands of holiness.

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Peter presents the positive standard of holiness, what is it?

The very perfection of God Himself!

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- C. A Life of Steadfast Honor (vv. 17-21)
- The basis for reverent living is that we can call the holy God of the universe our Father!
- Our respectful reverence to God comes when we <u>intently ponder</u> on what it took to accomplish our salvation. (vv. 18-19)

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- II. The Practical Application of Hope, Holiness, & Honor (1:22-25)
 - Having a sincere love for the brethren authenticates a natural response produced in the heart by the experience of purification!

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- II. The Practical Application of Hope, Holiness, & Honor (1:22-25)
- Our love for one another is to be <u>sincere</u>
 <u>unhypocritical</u> <u>pure</u> <u>genuine</u>.
- Our love for the brethren is to be <u>fervently – intensely – continually –</u> <u>diligently – earnestly</u>.