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1 Peter – “A Living Hope”

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“The unsearchable wonder of God’s grace”

Never take this salvation of yours casually. So wondrous, so unimaginable is God’s grace that the prophets **“inquired and searched carefully”** to understand it, and the angels **“desired”** to look into it. The grand scope of God’s grace is so amazing; not only for the riches of the inheritance that we gain (1:3-4), but the efforts God went through to ensure it was made available to any who would place their trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. It was predicted ahead of time by the prophets, and preached about through the gospel; all through the administration of the Holy Spirit. Do you feel the wonder of all God’s efforts toward sinners like you and me? His love is something we should never question. Instead, it should cause us to do as Paul said in his letter to the church at Philippi; we should **“work out our salvation with fear and trembling.”**

Passage: 1 Peter 1:10-12 (NKJV)

Personal Study Time Questions:

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:10

What did the prophets prophesy about in regards to **“this salvation”** talked about in the previous passage? What did the wonder of this means of our salvation cause the prophets to do?

Scripture: Ephesians 1:7; 2:8

How does Paul describe the means by which we have received redemption, **“the forgiveness of sins”**?

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:11

What made the grace of God towards us possible, as was “**testified beforehand**” to the prophets? In your own words, why would that have so amazed them, so as to cause them to search out answers so carefully (understanding that they didn’t have the New Testament like we do)?

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:12

Who were the prophets “**ministering**” to according to this verse? How has this great salvation been “**reported**” to us? How were the angels affected by this grace that has been offered to us?

Scripture: Romans 1:16

What was Paul’s response in the face of the wonder of the gospel of grace?

Personal Application:

Has this passage caused you to look at your salvation with fresh eyes? How will this reminder of the wonder of God’s grace towards you affect how you relate to God, and to the mission of sharing the gospel with the world around you?

Hiding God’s Word in your heart (Ps. 119:11):

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.”

Romans 1:16