

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

Discussion Guide
September 18,
2016

“A Fixed Hope”

1 Peter 1

1 Peter 1:3–13 (ESV) — ³ Blessed 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, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. ¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, ¹¹ inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. ¹² It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. ¹³ Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Sermon Outline

- I. Set Your Hope Fully in Grace
- II. Prepare Your Minds for Action
- III. Be Sober Minded
- IV. Cultivate a Fixed Hope in the Grace of God

Psalm 147:10–11— 10 His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, 11 but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

1 Peter 1:13— Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 6:14 — Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth,

Philippians 4:8 — Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Discussion Questions

1. Why does God delight in those who hope in his steadfast love (Psalm 147:10-11)?
2. What does it mean to "hope fully in grace"?
3. What are some of the ways that God's grace is revealed in 1 Peter 1?
4. How do you "prepare your mind for action"?
5. What are some things that attempt to diminish our hope in Christ? How do we fight against them?

***Luke 21:34-36** — "But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."*

NOTES

D E A D W H E N H H D Y I _____

G R A C E V E N U U L P J _____

F L I V E C C B C O H S E _____

N A O B F A I T H I N G S _____

U S T R A N G E R S G R U _____

S L A H Y P R A I S E E S _____

H G O L E C H O S E N A F _____

M J I V V R P B T H T T P _____

V R E V E A L E D I I H M _____

U B P F E L T D R L M O P _____

L H F P A N O I C I E U L _____

H U O C E O P E O B S G O _____

S H O E L S C N M N G H R _____

F H B B O V L T E W O R D _____

BEEN	BLOOD	CALL	_____
CHOSEN	CHRIST	COME	_____
DEAD	EVEN	FAITH	_____
FATHER	GIVEN	GLORY	_____
GRACE	GREAT	HOLY	_____
HOPE	JESUS	LIVE	_____
LORD	LOVE	OBEDIENT	_____
PERISH	PRAISE	REVEALED	_____
SALVATION	SPIRIT	STRANGERS	_____
SUFFER	THINGS	THOUGH	_____
TIME	WHEN	WORD	_____

***Colossians 3:1-3** — Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.*

The Alliance Bible Church is here to celebrate life and love in Jesus Christ, to intercede for others according to God's will, ground people in the Word of God, help others in joyful service, and teach others to know and to serve Him.