A LIVING HOPE, Part 2 October 8, 2017



Hebrews 12:2-3 NKJV

² looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.³ For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

I. <u>A LIVING HOPE</u>

- To cherish a desire with anticipation
- To desire with expectation of obtainment or fulfillment
 To expect with confidence

TRUST

I Peter 1:3-4 NKJV

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you

l Peter 1:4

(NASB77) ⁴ an inheritance which is *imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away*

(NIV) an inheritance that *can never perish, spoil or fade*

(NLT) Now we live with great expectation, ⁴ and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.

l Peter 1:4

(MSG) Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we've been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, ⁴ including a future in heaven—and the future starts now!

| Peter 1:4 Passion Celebrate with praises the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has shown us His extravagant mercy. For His fountain of mercy has given us a new life—we are reborn to experience a living, energetic hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. We are reborn into a perfect inheritance that can never perish, never be defiled, and never diminish. It is promised and preserved forever in the heavenly realm for you!

How do we have this hope?

How do we have this hope? Through Jesus, and by HIS RESURRECTION

Lamantations 3:22-23 NKJV

²² Through the LORD'S mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. ²³ They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness



As a mother cherishing her fetus in the womb

Faithfulness His fidelity. He's TRUE.



<u>John 3:16 NKJV</u>

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

<u>The Passion:</u> For this is how much God loved the world—He gave His One and only, unique Son as a gift So now everyone who believes in Him will never perish but experience everlasting life.

II. YOUR INHERITANCE

Incorruptible--UNDECAYING





FADES NOT AWAY—Unfading, Perpetual

RESERVED IN HEAVEN FOR YOU— Guarded, Keeping an eye on



A Living Hope, an Inheritance UNCORRUPTIBLE, UNDEFILED, That FADES NOT AWAY—

It's on RESERVE FOR YOU!