

Series: 1 Peter

Passage 1 Peter 1:3-12
Title: Praise That Matters

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Discussion Starter

What are the things that cause you to praise God? What are some of the ways you demonstrate your praise for God? What have you learned about praising God from this sermon?

Peter Encourages the Believers (1 Peter 1:3-12)

- What is Peter considering and reflecting on in 1 Peter 1:3, and what does it cause him to do? What significant points are made here in this verse pertaining to salvation?
- What does begotten to a living hope mean to you? How is it that we obtain this living hope? Read Romans 3:23 and John 3:3 -8. Discuss the insights you see on how these verses apply to our living hope.
- In 1 Peter 1:4, it speaks of an inheritance. Why is it so important that we understand this inheritance and in what way does this inheritance differ from an inheritance we may receive in this world?
- 1 Peter 1:5 tells us that we are kept by the power of God through faith. What does this mean to you personally? What are some ways you have experienced being kept by God through faith? Read Hebrew 11:1-3. Explain how this biblical definition of faith applies to your life.
- Peter is encouraging the believers to greatly rejoice even though they were going through various trials? Do you think that we should tell someone we know to greatly rejoice when they are going through trials? Discuss your thoughts.
- What enables us as Christians to praise Jesus though our trials? Can people see your joy in Jesus? What does this reveal about us and what is God's purpose for allowing trials in our lives?
- Discuss the pattern you see being revealed in these scripture as to the life of a Christian, and how it relates to joy, praise, trials and suffering. How does Jesus model this pattern as the first-fruits of the brethren? Read Acts 7:54-56, Colossians 3:1-4 and 1 Corinthians 15:19-23. What do these verse reveal to us about where our perspective should be as Christians?