

Why celebrate Christmas?
Because Of The Hope We Have In Christ

Five areas where we wrongly put our hope

- I. _____
- II. _____
- III. _____
- IV. _____
- V. _____

True hope was proclaimed by Simeon (Luke 2:22-32)

- I. He had the privilege of _____ Jesus (Luke 2:22-24, 27)
- II. Simeon had the privilege of _____ the Messiah before he _____ (Luke 2:28-32)

True Hope begins with the new birth (I Peter 1:3)

- I. Mercy – God’s unmerited favor towards sinners in a _____ condition
- II. New Birth – We are _____
- III. Living Hope – We can be _____ of our salvation because Jesus has been raised from the dead

Peter shares three things that give us hope (I Peter 1:4-12)

- I. We have hope in our _____ inheritance (I Peter 1:4-5)
 - A. Inheritance – _____ life with Christ (I Peter 1:4a)
 - B. God _____ our inheritance (I Peter 1:4b)
 - C. As heirs of this inheritance, we are _____ by God’s power (I Peter 1:5)
 - D. Our response to this inheritance: _____ (I Peter 1:6a)
- II. We have hope in our _____ joy (I Peter 1:6-9)
 - A. We find joy despite our _____ (I Peter 1:6-7)
 - B. We find joy in Christ and what He has _____ for _____ (I Peter 1:8)
 - C. We find joy in our salvation and _____ with God (I Peter 1:9)
- III. We have hope in past _____ (I Peter 1:10-12)
 - A. The prophets _____ the coming Messiah (I Peter 1:10-11)
 - B. The Prophets revealed the _____ and _____ glories of the Messiah (I Peter 1:11)
 - C. The Prophets revealed these things for _____ (I Peter 1:12)

Questions to Ponder

- I. Is your hope based on Christ or your _____?
- II. Are you _____ hope with others?
- III. Are you _____ your _____ based on our Hope in Christ