

Resurrection Blessings

1 Peter 1:3-9

Main Point:

Receive and praise God for the blessings He mercifully gives through the risen Christ.

1. In Christ, you have been born again to a living hope.

2. In Christ, you have a heavenly inheritance that cannot be taken away.

3. In Christ, you can rejoice in the midst of all your troubles and trials.

4. This is because of God's mercy and Christ's resurrection for you.

2 Corinthians 5:17 ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. (NKJV)

R.C. Sproul "In biblical categories ... hope is the certainty and the fullness of assurance that God will do in the future everything that He says He will do."

Galatians 4:7 ⁷ Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ. (NKJV)

John 14:2-3 ² "In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also. (NKJV)

Romans 8:35, 38-39 ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... ³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NKJV)

John 10:27-28 ²⁷ "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. ²⁸ "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. (NKJV)

William Harrell "Our inheritance is not only preserved by God for us, but we are protected by God through all hazards until we finally and fully possess it."

William Harrell "The sufferings of the faithful are divinely ordained tests, designed not to destroy them, but to sanctify them fully and triumphantly."

William Harrell "We do well ... to maintain a consistent grasp upon these glorious realities, letting their consoling power cast a light upon our grim suffering ..."

Matthew 28:1-6 ¹ Now after the Sabbath, as the first *day* of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. ³ His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. ⁴ And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead *men*. ⁵ But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for He is risen ... (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 15:16-17 ¹⁶ For if *the* dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. ¹⁷ And if Christ is not risen, your faith *is* futile; you are still in your sins! (NKJV)

John 11:25 ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. (NKJV)