

SERMON OUTLINE

Welcome to 1 Peter! See Peter's warm greeting in 1:1-2.

Series overview on 1 Peter: "Elect Exiles" (1:1)

- **Exiles.** The bad news. You're not in prison, but you're not home. How do we live here?
- **Elect.** The good news. Chosen. Loved. Saved. You have a bright future!

Our main passage today: 1 Peter 1:3-1:12

- *We're exiles...* Difficult trials noted in 1:6. Ugh.
- *But we're elect!* Note the "living hope" in 1:3.

How does a "living hope" transform our lives? This is *real* hope. True hope.

1. Toward the **future**: Certainty! (1:3-5)
 - Compare this with the vague, uncertain optimism we often call 'hope'
2. In the **present**: Joy! (1:8-9)
 - "Inexpressible joy" is connected with love (1:8), faith (1:8), glory (1:8), and salvation (1:9)
3. Toward the **past**: Amazement! (1:10-12)
 - The prophets... served *me*? (1:12)
 - Jesus... suffered for *me*? (1:11)
 - The Holy Spirit... sent to tell *me* these things? (1:12)
 - Angels... longed to understand these things. (1:12)

Looking at ourselves: No hope, false hope, or living (real!) hope?

Questions for Reflection and Application:

Read the passage (1 Peter 1:1-12)

1. Note "elect exiles" in 1:1. What would it have been like to be an Israelite exile in Babylon?
 - Why was Jeremiah 29:4-14 – a letter from the Lord to these exiles – so helpful? How is that similar to our situation and the letter from the Lord we call 1 Peter?
2. What does our "living hope" have to do with the Resurrection? (1 Peter 1:3)
 - What does the Resurrection of Jesus have to do with your experience of hope?
3. Is your hope centered upon something in this world? Perhaps your hope is focused upon a better political or economic situation. Is that a secure hope? Is that a living hope? What is 1 Peter 1:3-12 calling you to?



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**To Know Christ
and to Make Him Known**

Sunday, May 9, 2021
9:00am & 10:45am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Jubilee

Worship Team,
Brianna Marsh and Hudson Marsh, Leaders

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Caitlyn Fogg, Jr. High Ministry Leader

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 16:2, 5-11

Nicholas Black,
Director of Shepherding

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Mark Moser, Pastor

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Mark Moser

SERMON

What Is Real Hope?
1 Peter 1:1-12

Mark Moser

COMMUNION

*Beneath the Cross
Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me*

BENEDICTION

*Rejoice in the Lord always.
I will say it again: Rejoice!
~ Philippians 4:3*

GET IN TOUCH!

Church Office: 215-576-0892 (leave a message)

Deacon Coordinator: 267-528-8637

COMING EVENTS

DRIVE-THROUGH COMMUNION TODAY

Drive-through communion will be offered today from 12:15-12:45pm. (Enter the parking lot from Jenkintown Rd., follow the cones, and pull up by the shed. An elder will serve you there.)

RACIAL UNITY COMMITTEE—Next meeting: Tuesday, May 11, 7:00pm

The Racial Unity Committee continues to meet via Zoom! We meet every other month and break into our Education and Outreach subcommittees during the months in between. Our next meeting is on May 11 at 7pm. Contact Robin Ingalls if you're interested in joining us.

NEW LIFE KINGS MEN'S SOFTBALL—Game this Thursday, May 13

First pitch is at 6:30pm at Mondauk Park Field #2 (by the pavilion). Spectators welcome—come out and cheer for our team! Contact Bret Johnson for more info.

PATTERN COMMUNITY HYMN SING

A traveling worship gathering created for small communities

How about a Community Group hymn sing? Brianna Marsh and Hudson Marsh will lead at your location. Interested? Contact Brianna to schedule a time.

MOVIE NIGHT: *The Drop Box*—Friday, May 21, 7:30pm

"The Drop Box tells the story of South Korean pastor Lee Jong-rak and his heroic efforts to embrace and protect the most vulnerable members of society. It is an exploration of the physical, emotional and financial toll associated with providing refuge to orphans that would otherwise be abandoned on the streets. The movie is also a story of hope - a reminder that every human life is sacred and worthy of love." For high school age & up. View the movie trailer at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yTQ2VTf5vWc&ab_channel=FocusontheFamily

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE—Wednesday, May 26, 11am—4pm

Help save lives by donating blood. Sign up online at redcrossblood.org using sponsor code "NLP Glenside." Questions? Contact Cara Clark.

FLEA MARKET—Saturday, June 5, 9am—1pm (rain date June 12)

Is it time to part with some treasures? How about selling them at the flea market? Download an application from the New Life website: www.newlifeglenside.com/resources/downloads and click on "Flea Market Application" at the bottom of the page. Cost: \$25/space. Don't have items to sell? Come shop, and support outreach to our neighbors.

CHURCH PICNIC: *New Date!*—Sunday, July 18, 1-5pm

Join us at Fort Washington State Park, Flourtown Pavilion. We'll provide burgers and dogs; bring your own sides. Games, hiking, friends, fresh air, FUN! Bring your own kite. Don't miss it!

HELP NEEDED

FOOD CUPBOARD PERPETUAL FOOD DRIVE—Current Need: Crackers

Place your donation in the Food Cupboard cabinet outside the Weldon Room or in the designated bin in the Lower Lobby. Please, no perishable food donations.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- **Prayer Chain:** If you have a prayer request or would like to join the prayer chain to pray for others, contact Linda Woods.
- **Join our Facebook Page:** "New Life Church in Glenside Facebook Page" <http://facebook.com/newlifeglenside>
- **New Life's Weekly E-News:** To receive our weekly e-news, email Greg Raysor at graysor@newlifeglenside.com or sign up at <http://eepurl.com/hbCAY>
- **Deacons' Cell Phone:** If you have or know of a need, please call our deacon on staff at 267-528-8637.
- **Meals Ministry:** If meals are needed, please contact May coordinator Carolyn Ritter at NewLifeMeals@gmail.com.
- **Food Cupboard Hours:** Mon.: 7–7:30pm for New Life families; Tues.: drive up at 6:00pm for the community; Thurs.: drive up at 1:00pm for seniors
- **New Life Thrift Stores—**www.newlifethriftinc.org
800 N. Easton Rd., Glenside, 215-886-8619, M-F: 9am-7pm; Sat.: 9am-6pm
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