

LESSON 1
THE HOPE OF THE NEW BIRTH
1 PETER 1:1-12

I. The Greeting (1:1-2)

A. The writer (1:1a)

- The writer identifies himself as _____.

B. The recipients (1:1b)

1. Pilgrims

- Peter identifies these believers as those who are temporarily _____.

2. Dispersion

- Peter refers to these believers as _____.

C. Their description (1:2a)

1. Chosen by God

- They were chosen through God's grace and love as a part of _____.

2. Sanctified by the Spirit

- They are _____ by the Holy Spirit to become like Christ.

3. Obedient to Jesus

- This results in _____ to Jesus Christ.

D. The greeting (1:2b)

- Peter greets his readers with a greeting of _____.

II. The New Birth's Hope (1:3-12)

A. The Offering of Thanksgiving (1:3-9)

1. New Birth (1:3)

- Paul thanked God for the blessing of the new birth which _____.

2. An Inheritance (1:4)

- The new birth also results in an inheritance that is _____.

3. **An Assurance (1:5)**

- God keeps believers through faith until our salvation is _____.

4. **Joy Experienced (1:6)**

- The hope of salvation revealed results in joy in spite of _____.

5. **The testing of faith (1:7)**

- Trails _____ the genuineness of our faith.

6. **The Source of Joy (1:8)**

- Our joy is found through faith in Jesus Christ, who we _____.

7. **The Result of Faith (1:9)**

- The culmination of our faith is salvation, _____.

C. **The revelation of Salvation (1:10-12)**

1. **The Longing of the Prophets (1:10)**

- Salvation was the _____ of the Old Testament prophets.

2. **Their Search for Understanding (1:11)**

- The prophets sought to understand the prophecies of a _____.

3. **The Nature of Their Writings (1:12)**

- They were writing not _____.
- They were writing to those who would _____.