

Good News of Great Joy

1 Peter 1:3-9

Part 7

Blessed Assurance: *Guarded through Faith*

1 Peter 1:5

Introduction:

1 Peter 1: 3-5

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1. Our Inheritance is Securely kept in Heaven for us,
Ready and **Waiting** to be revealed.

2. By His **Power** God is **Guarding** us for our Final Salvation.

3. It is to God's Glory that He Guards us by our Faith because Faith is **Not Our Achievement**.
 - a. Saving faith comes not by works.

 - b. Saving faith produces God ordained and God glorifying works.

Ephesians 2:8-10

Philippians 2:12-13

4. Our Hope is in God's Infallible Commitment to us.

John 6:38-40, 10:27-29

Luke 22:31-32

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Philippians 2:12-13

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

John 6:37-40

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

John 10:27-29

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand."

Luke 22:31-32

Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.