

Living Hope

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015

1 Peter 1:3-9

Hope

Hope Runs Through the Bible

Line Rather than Circle

There is a Plot; It starts with a Promise

Two Words – Salvation – Inheritance

Two Angles of View – Rescued From and To

Both are “gift” ideas rather than “earn” ideas

- Sin – the undoing of sin
- Death – a new body
- Oppression – A major theme in prophets
- Satan – The Ultimate Oppressor
- Connection with God
- Thriving Community

Living Hope

Unrealistic Hope – Nice, but not real

Grounds for Hope – Jesus’ Resurrection; Christian Experience

Living in Hope

Suffer grief in all kinds of trials

Are receiving ... Salvation

Tasting what is to Come

It has started; Signs of Spring; A Taste (not the whole meal)

Ministry of Jesus

Healing; Deliverance

Experience of Christians

Connection with God

Change of Behaviour, Habits, Values, Motives

Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Faith (7-8) – A Picture of a Life of Faith