Rejoicing In Our Salvation

Proclamation Life Groups; 1 Peter 1:3-12; Week of Sunday, March 18, 2018; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme – For believers, the glory of our salvation is that it is all of God. He causes us to be born again to a living hope, protects us through faith, and prepares us for a future inheritance of seeing Jesus face to face, all by testing our faith through the difficulties of trials.

I. The Glory of Our Salvation – 1 Peter 1:3-5

- A. What are all of the different ways in which Peter describes God as acting in our salvation?
- B. What do you think it means for believers to be born again to a living hope?
- C. How does the inheritance described in verse 4 compare to an earthly inheritance?
- D. What do you think it means that God's power is guarding a believer through faith (v.5)?
- E. Do you think the original audience would have been encouraged by Peter's words in these verses? Do you think they would have been rejoicing in their salvation? Why or why not?

II. The Trials of Our Salvation – 1 Peter 1:6-9

- A. Peter says, "In this you rejoice" (v.6). What do you think the "this" is referring to?
- B. According to verse 7, what is the purpose of our trials? How does God use them in our lives?
- C. How is the motivation to see Jesus highlighted in verses 8-9? Is that cause for rejoicing?
- D. How are these verses helpful in your daily orientation to the difficulties of life?

III. The Proclamation of Our Salvation – 1 Peter 1:10-12

- A. What do you think it looked like for the prophets to make careful searches and inquiries? Where and what were they looking at to predict the sufferings of Christ? Any examples?
- B. What was the role of the Spirit of Christ in the prophets? How about the Apostles?
- C. Into what things specifically do you think the angels were longing to look?
- D. All things considered, how would you like to grow in rejoicing in your salvation?