

Living Hope | 1 Peter 1:3-9

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- 1. What was your personal highlight from Easter Weekend? Why was it a highlight?
- 2. Read 1 Peter 1:3-9 and work through the following questions.
- 3. Verse 3 A New Birth into a Living Hope
 - What does "living hope" mean to you personally? How is it different from wishful thinking or optimism?
- 4. Verse 4 An Inheritance That Will Never Perish
 - o How does this eternal perspective affect the way you view success, security, or even suffering?
- 5. Verse 6 Rejoicing Through Trials
 - Can you share a season where you faced a trial and your faith was tested? What did God do through that time? How does rejoicing in trials feel realistic—or not—to you today? Why?
- 6. 6. Verse 7 The Refining of Faith
 - o Is there an area of your faith that you feel is currently being refined? How are you responding to that process?
- 7. Verse 8 Loving and Believing Without Seeing
 - o What helps you love Jesus even though you haven't physically seen Him?
- 8. Verse 9 Receiving the Goal of Faith
 - o What does "salvation of your soul" mean to you personally—not just theologically, but practically?

Reminders:

- Renew Christian Academy (RCA) is looking for Christ-centered educators for the 2025-2026 school year to teach Geometry, Biology, 6th–8th Grade Science, and Computer Science. We're also looking for mentors to connect with students during lunch and offer guidance. RCA meets at HCC on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and we require a college degree and teaching experience for all teaching positions. In return, RCA offers competitive pay, a supportive Christian community, and a strong emphasis on discipleship in both academics and relationships. If you know someone who might be interested in this opportunity, or if you want to learn more or apply, email Shannon Carpino at shannonc@renewchristianacademy.com.
- The Renew.org National Gathering is coming up April 28–29 in the Indianapolis area!
 This powerful event is designed to equip leaders to sharpen their vision, deepen their faith, and connect with like-minded kingdom builders. Please be praying for those attending from HCC, the Renew.org staff, the speakers, and everyone participating. Lear more at https://renew.org/2025-gathering/
- Mark your calendars for the next Student Ministry Fundraiser on Sunday, May 4! Stick around after either service and enjoy a delicious homemade BBQ meal—complete with mac and cheese and other favorites. Come hungry and help support our students in a fun (and tasty) way!