Go Big and Go Home (Part 2)

1 Peter 1:13-16



We can capture Peter's instruction in:

3 ways for you to <u>activate</u> and <u>apply</u>

God's salvation blessings to

how you live your life each day.

Our hearts, our real selves, are made up of what we think, believe, feel, choose, and desire, and what is in our hearts is shown in how we speak and behave in relationship to God and others.

Our lives reveal our hearts, and our hearts are who we are.

The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good; and the evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth what is evil; for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart.

Luke 6:45

...store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21

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The **first primary command** is, "...fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." Preparing your minds for action and keeping a sober spirit are how you faithfully do this.

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When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

Colossians 3:4

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"The major difference between the two attitudes is that faith involves trusting God in the <u>present</u>, whereas hope is <u>future</u> faith, trusting God for what is to come. Faith <u>appropriates</u> what God has <u>already</u> said and done in His revealed Word, and hope <u>anticipates</u> what He will <u>yet</u> do, as promised in Scripture."

John MacArthur (emphasis added)

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Fix your **confident expectation** to the <u>full extent</u> on God's grace brought to you when Jesus is revealed in His second coming.

"Grace" = salvation/inheritance.

Let this **future grace** overwhelm your soul with <u>hope</u> because of the richness of God's goodness to you in His Son, Jesus Christ.

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Peter's **second primary command** about activating and applying God's salvation blessings to your life:

"...be holy yourselves also in all your behavior..."

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"You shall be holy, for I am holy."

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy, has <u>caused us</u> to be born again to a <u>living hope</u> through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

1 Peter 1:3

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