

Gospel Promise: The Certainty of our Present and Future Hope

1 Peter 5:10-11 (#4)

I) The Substance of the Gospel Promise

- Now we will consider the atmosphere/context which makes these Gospel promises so secure:

II) Nature and Character of the Gospel Hope

1) The God of all grace...

- “GRACE” – unmerited favor, unrestrained kindness, source of true undiluted joy.
- God is the God of all grace.
- He has the power, and He must sustain, comfort and deliver His children.
- All blessings come from Him, the ever-flowing fountain, to His people.
- The great “I AM” has pledged His word & oath to me; I shall lack no good thing.

2) ...has “Called” the Christian in Christ Jesus...

- “Called” – distinguishing mark of the true Christian.
- The call comes with power through the Holy Spirit, and with much assurance.
- Romans 8:28-32

3) ...to His eternal Glory.

- Purpose of the calling is to become a complete partaker of God’s holiness, which is His glory.
- No assault from Satan, disaster or trial can hinder this glorious consummation.

4) Their sufferings are brief compared to what God has prepared for them

- Encouragement: afflictions the Christian suffers are light in comparison to the glorious inheritance that awaits them.
- 1 Cor. 10:13; 2 Cor. 4:16,17

Conclusion

- 1 Chronicles 29:11,12
- God is the God of all grace, to whom all power and authority belong.