Easter Celebration: "God's Salvation" 1 Peter 1:3-9 Pastor Andrew Jun

Put our hope in God's salvation, focusing our faith on Christ.

I. See verses 1:3-5: The Secure Inheritance.

1 Peter 1:3-5 (ESV): 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

• Lesson #1: God causes his people to be born again into a secure inheritance (3-5).

• Lesson #2: God's people grieve over trials but rejoice in the refining process (6-7).

• Life Application #2: How can I rejoice in the trials that I am facing in my life right now?

III. See verses 1:8-9: <u>The Joyful Journey</u>.

1 Peter 1:8-9 (ESV): 8 Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, 9 obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

• Lesson #3: God multiplies God-glorifying love, faith, and joy within his people (8-9). *See Hebrews* 11:1.

• Life Application #1: How can I get to know the object of my faith, Jesus Christ, better?

II. See verses 1:6-7: <u>The Refining Process</u>.

1 Peter 1:6-7 (ESV): 6 In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

• Life Application #3: How can I start, get back on, or appreciate my journey today?