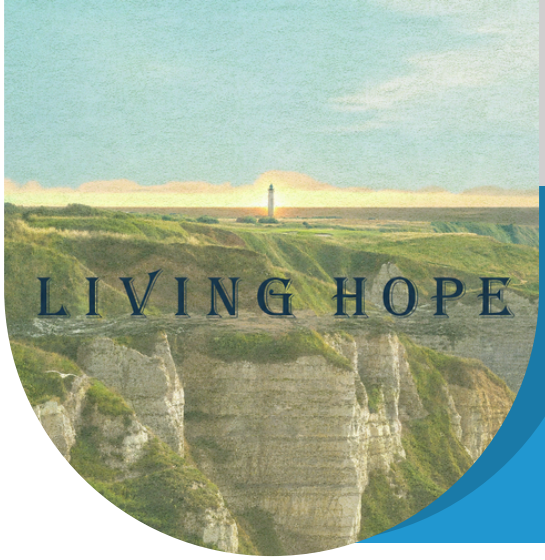

FAITH CHURCH

1 PETER 1:1-5

"LIVING HOPE"

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

OPENING

Read the Text Together: 1 Peter 1:1-5

Read 1 Peter 1:1-5 aloud. Let Peter's words resonate with you.

SUMMARY

In this insecure world, we have the Gospel of Jesus Christ in which we stand secure as our Living Hope.

DISCUSSION

Questions

This document can be used for either personal or group reflection.

Group facilitator: Please feel empowered to use only the questions that are helpful for the context of your group or add others you think would spark thought and discussion.

- How is the arc of Scripture like a crime novel? How does 1 Peter fit into that picture?
- What do you know about the writer of this letter? How does this letter reflect changes in Peter from what we read about him in the Gospels?
- What do you know about the recipients of this letter? Where did they live? Why were they there? How are Christian believers like exiles both then and today? How does this form our identity in relation to this world? Consider 1 Peter 1:1; 2:11; Ephesians 2:11-19 and Romans 8:18-30
- We speak of Jesus as our Savior, but what role does God the Father and the Holy Spirit have in our salvation? How do you relate to the Father and the Holy Spirit differently from how you relate to Jesus? 1 Peter 1:1-3
- What does Peter mean that we are "elect/chosen … according to the foreknowledge of God the Father?" How does your church heritage affect how you understand this terminology?

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- Compare 1 Peter 1:3-5 with Ephesians 1:3-14. What common themes and promises do you find in the two passages?

- What does it mean "to be born again?" Consider 1 Peter 1:3, 23: John 3:1-8; Titus 3:4-7; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Ezekiel 36:22-27

- Do you feel secure in your relationship with God and confident in your eternal future? What is your inheritance? How is it protected for you? What hope does this give you? 1 Peter 1:4, 5

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK:

1 Peter 1:6-12