

Text: 1 Peter 1:3-5
Topics: Gratitude, New Birth, Resurrection
Series: Made Secure by Jesus Resurrection

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Hmmm, New Life?

I. The Response Suggested (3a)

Appreciate God...

Two reasons:

An attribute: His mercy

An act: He caused us to be born again

II. The Reason Supplied (3b-5)

The act:

... for new life, ...

"to a living hope"

"to obtain an inheritance"

III. The Requirement Secured (3, 5)

"Through"

"the resurrection of Christ"

"through faith for a salvation"

... secured by Christ's resurrection, received by faith.

The resurrection of Christ secured new life for me!

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. Read Matthew 18:21-35. Who does the king represent in the parable? What does his forgiveness show? (v. 27, 33) What do verses 28-30 reveal about the servant's initial response to what he received from his master?

What is your initial response to what God has done for you, and does for you each day? What helps you not fall into the kind of respond the slave did?

2. Read Colossians 2:9-14. What is the before, the how, and the after of the person who becomes a Christian?

Describe your before and after. (v. 13)

What is the difference between the change becoming a Christian has made on you, verses just "turning over a new leaf" on your own?

3. From the following verses, what has the resurrection of Jesus accomplished for us in our union with Him through faith?

Ephesians 2:4-6

Romans 6:4-11

4. Hardships cannot take away the believer's hope. Read Romans 4:25-5:5. What is that hope? What is it based on, and how does it become the believer's life?

What is/are the active hope(s) in your life today? Why?

Could you use a readjustment? How would that best happen?

5. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?