Text: 1 Peter 1:3; Eph. 1:18-20; 1 Thess. 4:14 Topics: Hope, Power of God, Resurrection Series: Accomplished by His Resurrection

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## Looking Forward

I. The Start (1 Peter 1:3)

The resurrection of Jesus provided the means for us to be brought into a *living hope*.

II. The Sustaining (Ephesians 1:18-20)

The resurrection of Jesus provided for the *power* of *God* to be made available to help us.

III. The Summation (1 Thessalonians 4:14)

The resurrection of Jesus provided a future *resurrection* and *reunion* for us.

Is this *hope* and *power* at *work* in me?

<u>Application Questions</u> - 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. What is something that someone (parent, teacher, coach, friend) provided for you in the past that has had an affect on you for a long time? Explain.

2. Read 1 Peter 1:1-5. How does Peter address his readers in verses 1-2?

What does Peter say God has done through the resurrection of Jesus in verse 3? How does he explain it in verses 4-5?

What are some of the biggest hopes you have, or have had? Compare them to the hope Peter describes.

3. Read Ephesians 1:18-21. Write down the 3 things that came about through the resurrection of Christ (verses 18-19). Write a brief description of each.

How can knowing these things help you live the life God has for you?

4. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17. What concern of the church is Paul addressing? What does he tell them to help turn their grief into hope?

Do you have this hope? How can having this hope help us better face life's challenges? Give some examples.

5. How are, or how can, the things provided in the resurrection of Christ, and looked at above, affect how you live today?